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An unsuccessful attempt to elect a non-political Lord Rector of the University.

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AMONG CELEBRITIES

EDINBURGH, Scotland—(CP)—Barbara Kelly of Vancouver, for five years a star in British show business, has been nominated for the Rectorship of Edinburgh University, an honorary office.

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EDINBURGH
MEDICAL JOURNAL.

EDITORIAL NOTES AND NEWS.

The Lord Rectorship. MEDICAL interest in the contest next November will be greatly stimulated by the intimation that Professor Osler has consented to be nominated as a candidate. We mean no disrespect to the brilliant young politicians who have been put forward by their respective parties when we say that as rectorial candidates neither of them can be compared with Osler. He has never ceased to be a student in every sense of the word, and the address which he will deliver—for we have little doubt that he will be elected—will be remembered all their lives by the students fortunate enough to hear it.

It would not be strictly correct to say that Osler would be Edinburgh's first medical rector, for Sir Robert Finlay is M.B. of the University; but for all practical purposes he is, and we have no doubt the medicals, male and female, will go solid for him. If any of them are in doubt let them procure and read "Aequanimitas," and their doubts will dissolve.

Prof Osler

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EDINBURGH LORD RECTORSHIP.

Dr. Osler, Regius Professor of Medicine in Oxford University, has consented to stand as a non-party candidate for the Lord Rectorship in Edinburgh University. The party candidates are Mr. Winston Churchill and Mr. Wyndham. The medical students, who number 1,400, are said to have received Dr. Osler's name very favourably.

The election will take place on the first Saturday in November. Mr. Haldane at present holds the office.

RECTORIAL ELECTION.

REASONS FOR THE NOMINATION OF A NON-POLITICAL CANDIDATE.

1. The office, as constituted, is not a political one.

2. The Chairman of the University Court should have matured experience and a wide knowledge of University affairs.

3. The present and imminent changes in Edinburgh University make this specially desirable.

4. Neither of the two political candidates possesses the necessary qualifications–

5. Our candidate does.

The Rectorial Representation Committee, as elected at a Mass Meeting of Students on Monday, 8th June, therefore submits to you in all confidence the name of

Dr WILLIAM OSLER

as a fit and proper person to represent the Students of Edinburgh University as their Lord Rector on the University Court.

JAMES ROBERTSON, *President.*

A. H. SCOTT, *Secretary.*

THE NON-POLITICAL CANDIDATE.

DR WILLIAM OSLER comes of an old Cornish family, his grandfather being a shipowner in Falmouth. His father emigrated to Canada, and settled at Bond Head, Ontario, where, on 12th July 1849, our candidate was born.

Having chosen the profession of medicine, he studied for three years under Dr Bouvier of Toronto; then he went to M'Gill University, Montreal, graduating in 1872. He next worked in London, Berlin, and Vienna, making a specialty of Physiology and Pathology. Returning to Canada in 1874, he was appointed to the Chair of Physiology in M'Gill University. Dr OSLER's work quickly attracted outside notice, for he was elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of London, and in 1884 Goulstonian Lecturer there.

Towards the end of the same year he went to Philadelphia, having accepted an appointment as Professor of Clinical Medicine in the University of that city. Five years later, he was asked to create the Chair of the Practice and Principles of Medicine in the Johns Hopkins Medical School of Baltimore. In this position Dr OSLER more than justified the trust placed in his powers of organisation, and in 1898 was elected Dean of the Medical Faculty.

In 1905 he received the offer of the Regius Professorship of Medicine at Oxford, which he at present holds. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society and an Honorary Graduate of Edinburgh, Oxford, Aberdeen, Harvard, Yale, Johns Hopkins, Toronto and M'Gill Universities, and of Trinity College, Dublin.

Dr OSLER's classic text-book—"The Principles and Practice of Medicine"—is in its sixth edition, and he has published numerous other treatises on medical subjects. His writings in philosophy and literature are many, and include such brilliant and well-known works as "Æquinimitas," "The Growth of Truth," and "Science and Immortality," while as an orator he is famous and is not unworthy of declaiming from the rostrum once honoured by Gladstone and Rosebery.

Professor WILLIAM OSLER,

M.D., F.R.S., F.R.C.P. [illegible] LL.D. [illegible] D.C.L. [illegible]

Non-Political Candidate for the Lord Rectorship.

TELEPHONE NOS
4615, 4616, 4617.

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY UNION

June 1908

Professor Osler
University of Oxford

Dear Sir

The Rectorial Representation Committee consisting of about forty representative students of the various faculties of the University elected at a general meeting of students appointed a deputation to call on you while you were in Edinburgh to ask you to stand as candidate for the office of Lord Rector

The President of the Committee reported that he along with Dr Johnson and Mr Sprent had interviewed you and that you were to consider the matter.

We, the undersigned, have been specially asked by our Committee to acquaint you of their strong desire that you should favourably consider the proposal

From what we can gather

from all quarters, you are almost certain to secure a considerable majority over either of the other Candidates at the poll owing to the popularity and esteem ~~in~~ which you are held by the students of our University.

Yours Respectfully,

Sir Robertson — President

J. J. Dawson-Fraser — Vice-President

James Forrest — Vice-President

[illegible] — Secretary

[illegible] — Assistant Secretary

L. W. Stobie — Assistant Secretary

Geo. J. Carr. — Assistant Secretary

7 MANOR PLACE,
EDINBURGH.

June 11th

Dear Dr Lee

I understand you are to be waited upon to-morrow by a deputation of students who will ask you to permit your name to be put forward as a candidate for the Lord Rectorship of the University. They tell me they are confident that they have enough backing to ensure your election. Though I would rather have had you in the University as my own colleague I shall be glad to see

You in any and I am sure you would be very warmly welcomed by the medical profession here. Aberdeen & St. Andrews have elected their Rectors on non-political lines and though I prefer to reflect that your views on the Tariff differ from mine it is not on political grounds that you are approached. Editors should look ahead and do I hope you will let us have your editorial address for the new combined journal.

Yours very truly

Norman Walker

Students Representative Council
University of Edinburgh

34 Chalmers Street
Edinburgh
12th June 08

Professor Dr Wm. Osler

Dear Sir,

This Committee has for its purpose the giving of help & information 1) to British students going abroad for study 2) to foreign students or graduates coming over here. It has organised a system of Academic Consuls in the chief universities of Europe & is extending this to the U.S.A.

In pursuance of these aims we are publishing a "Handbook

abroad for Medecine - a general indication of the best lines to ~~read~~ work on. As my purpose having a special article for Surgery it would not be necessary to touch on that.
The book is ready for the press except for some of these articles, so that I would ask for the favour of an early reply.
There is another matter I should like to mention in connection with quite a different Committee. As one of the Vice Presidents of the Electorial Representation Committee I must apologise for my absence from the deputation which waited you last night, an absence due to indisposition. But, as a member

on 'Foreign Study'. This will comprise full information as to 128 European Universities as per specimen page enclosed, and a series of signed articles by well known authorities on the study of their own subject abroad. Thus among our contributors we are to have the Right Hon Viscount Haldane, M.P., Professor Silvanus P Thompson, Principal Fairbairn ... etc.

My Committee (which acts for all British Universities save Oxford, Cambridge & Dublin) have instructed me to ask you whether you could be kind enough to contribute a short article on the study of Medicine abroad. The article need be only 2 pages of the size of a 6d novel, and contain advice to men to go

of the faculties of Arts and Law & speaking for hundreds of my fellows in these faculties I associate myself entirely with my friends who waited you last night. I would venture to hope that you will accept our cordial & hearty invitation to stand, convinced as everyone in the University is that if you do stand your return is an absolute certainty.

I am

Yrs truly

H. J. Darnton Fraser

Convener

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TELEPHONE No 2255
TELEGRAMS "DEVONIAN EDINBURGH"

3 DRUMSHEUGH GARDENS
EDINBURGH

14 June 1908

Dear Osler,

Cunningham has just told me of the prospect which opens up for your being chosen for the Regius Professorship, and I am delighted to hear it. Some time ago I mentioned to a few of the leading undergraduates that I thought it would be a very capital move to get you, as a distinguished scientific member of the profession, to let the men know you for it, and I am sure if you get it it will be a very popular move. We shall all do very

great delight with a basket of pink beauties
for this morning's breakfast.

With kind regards & best wishes for yourself
from Richard Jones

J. M. Jones

thing in our power to secure a unanimous election.

We have also told me of your kindness as regards the R. S. Some years ago he spoke to me on the subject, suggesting that I should let my name be brought forward, but I preferred then to postpone the matter. Lord Kelvin and some other kind friends are more than willing to act as sponsors & I cannot longer hold back, and I write to let you know that I am very grateful to you for the action which Cunningham tells me you are about to take.

I took Herringham to pick out a few more yesterday and we went some land might in

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University of Edinburgh

June 16th 08

My dear Osler

Thanks for your letter. It is difficult for me to offer advice in the matter of the honorary lectureships because I cannot as a Professor make any direct effort ~~to obtain~~ ascertain the current opinion amongst the students still I have

been indirectly making a few inquiries & looking into the records of old contests.

There cannot be a doubt that in former contests the non-political candidate (when there was one) has usually been unfortunate at the poll. Carlyle defeated Disraeli; Ruskin & Professor Blackie were defeated by their political

opponents. I think these are the only three cases where a non. political candidate has stood.

On the other hand conditions have greatly changed. The woman put in Haldane at the last election & the deputation said that you would have a strong backing there. Here the political candidates (Wyndham & Churchill) are both very weak: it is diff.

ficult to say which is the most objectionable & this no doubt would weigh.

I attach some im-
portance to Dr. Norman Walker's letter. He is a politician & a very aggressive one on his own side he is distinctly a force.

From what I say there-
fore I think you will see that it would not be a walk over. Political excitement enters largely into these contests.

I hope I made it clear to you that with us all — I mean those in the University who do not possess a vote — you would receive a most cordial welcome as Rector

Yours very truly
D. [illegible]

TELEPHONE No 2255
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3 DRUMSHEUGH GARDENS
EDINBURGH

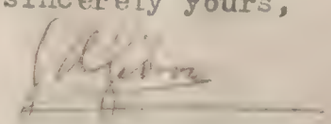
18th June 1908.

My dear Osler,

On looking over the list of the Royal Society I find that the enclosed names are all friends of my own, and I have not the least doubt that each one of them would be happy to do anything for me. The Scottish names you may safely leave to Cunningham when the paper goes back. As regards the Lord Rectorship I am putting myself in communication with the two political organisations to find out exactly where we stand. If these associations are pledged to the two political names that have been suggested, we shall have to consider the matter very carefully indeed. What I mean to aim at this time if possible, and next time, if it be impossible, is to get you nominated jointly by Conservatives and Liberals, so as to have absolute unanimity.

With kind regards,

Ever sincerely yours,



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EDINBURGH

With kind regards to Mrs Osler and yourself.

Ever yours sincerely,

J. Mc Gahon

The more I think of it - the more I hope you will let the Conservatives put you up as a Tariff-reformer, free-trade within the empire, and generally independent progressive candidate.

I have read the Alabama Student from cover to cover with great pleasure. My Morison lectures are just about to appear in German, Edited by Volhard.

Again many thanks for your kindness

FROM DR NORMAN WALKER
TELEPHONE: 2434

7 MANOR PLACE
EDINBURGH

June 20th 00

Professor Osler.

Dear Osler,

I have just got your sweet letter. I had hoped to see Cunningham before this but I suppose he has been busy with the final examinations and on Saturday time just now I find that he is in London for the week end. Thus I cannot communicate to you the result of deliberation with him. But this I can say that the rumour of your candidature has been most favourably received and the almost unanimous opinion is that you would be elected. Failing Cunningham's absence I shall try to have a word today with Professor Caird and Mr Hodgson whose judgment on any matter connected with the students is in my humble opinion even more likely to be correct than that of any member of faculty, as I shall find out this even and add their opinion.

Sunday. I saw Stodder yesterday. He is delighted with the idea of your standing and believes you would get in easy. It was late when Prof. Caird rang up 3. pm yesterday & I was only just in time to post this by our only Sunday post. We are all agreed that your candidature would be welcomed by the medical teachers and that such influence as they could use would be at your disposal. It is however very little as it is as you of course know a students affair & Caird said he would be sorry to oppose you & a rebuff. I do not however suppose that your consent requires a definite assurance of election & that even if you stood & got beaten you would survive it.
If your opponents were outstanding men our views might be altered but I think you may take it that our advice is very Yes. If you wish it I could pursue some further enquiries among the students.

Yours very truly
Norman Walker

TELEPHONE No. 2255
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3 DRUMSHEUGH GARDENS
EDINBURGH

21 June 1908

Dear Colvin,

What on the party leaders in the University tomorrow. If the two official political groups have determined to run their candidates on the usual machine-like lines, the chance for an independent candidate is not very great. Carlyle in my youth was almost a Labour-Party man, but no other independent candidate was ever elected. Bleachin was run as an

He is very anxious should give an address in Baltimore at the beginning of the session in October, but as I expect to be very busy the first few days of work I fear I may not be able to accept his kind invitation.

Hope to let you know definite one way or another tomorrow or Monday.

A thousand thanks for your kindness regarding the R. S.

With best regards

Yours sincerely

independent candidate against two party men — Tiddeleigh and Floyd who was the Liberal man — but he was left high and dry.

If the Conservatives would drop their proposed man, and offer to adopt you as a non-political candidate, the thing would be done. That is my present aim. Being my own party I can speak like a father to the boys.

A note has come from Barbara this morning.

TELEPHONE No 2255
TELEGRAMS "DEVONIAN EDINBURGH"

3 DRUMSHEUGH GARDENS
EDINBURGH

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23 June 1908

Dear Baker,

Have today seen the Presidents of the Conservative and Liberal Associations of the University, and we had a long talk with Doris.

Lord Rosebery's proposition was adopted by the former, and Winston Churchill by the latter, as the political candidates for the post of Lord Rector. About the same time a few men made up their minds to bring forward

an independent Committee
and at first thought of asking
Oliver Lodge. Something came
in the way of their scheme,
however, and until the
other day they did nothing.

One doubtful point as
to this committee is that a
good many of its members
(such as Robertson) are out
and out Socialists, while
some others are outcasts
from the two political asso-
ciations. The committee in
Leeds has no undergraduates

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of much standing amongst its membership. These facts were stated with equal frankness by both Presidents.

On the other hand both Mr Leitch (U.C.A.) and Mr Cameron (U.L.A.) were at one in thinking that if you were to be an independent candidate you would have a very great amount of support, although even amongst the medical undergraduates we would have to look upon a large num-

who are shackled by inherited political chains. It must be remembered, however, that both Presidents are strict party men, and rely look at matters through political spectacles. Their feelings on this matter are therefore to be looked upon largely as of the nature of hopes that their adherents will not be led away from them. I do not quite agree in allowing that you will have a large number of supporters. Both seem their belief that the Federal vector should be elected on strictly political lines, and this expression

& their opinion that you will get much support is therefore a strong point.

Now there is no need to hurry your decision for a few days. Dan Cunningham has been in London for a few days but returns tonight, and I wish a talk matters over with him confidentially. No Dean he cannot take any part, or show his hand in the least, in any matter of this kind, but he can and will gladly discuss it with me.

Later. I have seen Cunningham and had an hour with him on the subject. I have read him what I have written to you, and with most he agrees. But he says

There are two influential men on the Committee — Johnson and the Postmaster, whose name has escaped my memory — which I am glad to hear. Not a doubt that a crowd of important men will join if you are willing to stand.

It quite appears with me that no independent Candidate has ever had such a good chance as you have. Apart from your scientific reputation and influential positions, which are enough in themselves, the two adopted Candidates are weak in the academic sense, and no great stakes in personal character. Just this strong point — is that the President

the C.A. told me they would
at present be delivering circulars
lay out their opponents. If the
Liberals find this out, as they are
in Victoria, they will come on &
vote in large numbers, & so they
would endorse them & vote for
Hyndman, or do anything but what is
honorable. I have told you all
I know. All that we can do
is to give you information, and
let you decide after receiving it.
But if I can help you in the
least degree please let me know.
If you decide & let yourself
be nominated many of us can
quietly exercise great influence
for you, and those of your

who are not tied by official positions will gladly do what they can. For my own part I shall regard the University as crowned if you do stand, and doubly so if we can hail you as Rector.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

J. H. Gibson

3 DRUMSHEUGH GARDENS
EDINBURGH

TELEPHONE No 2255
TELEGRAMS "DEVONIAN EDINBURGH"

University of Edinburgh

The Grange
23rd June 1901

Dear Professor Osler

My Committee communicated with you officially about the Lord Rectorship a few days ago and we were wondering if you had received the communication. Not a day passes, but I have earnest inquiries by the score as to whether I have heard any word yet.

I spoke with the Dean the other day and we discussed your chances at the election.

He then stated that he could not eliminate the students position in the matter as well as we could, and therefore I feel that I must try as one of the senior Students to State the Case in that respect.

Firstly. Among all the suggested Candidates, you are by far the most popular in all faculties

Secondly You have the entire good will & sympathy of the Court and Senate

Thirdly The other two candidates are disliked even by the Officials of the parties responsible for their nomination

Fourthly We have by far the most virile and influential undergraduate in the University on our Committee.

Fifthly We have the women who are ideal canvassers

Sixthly The medical vote is nearly half the university and that will be practically solid for you.

Now there are other minor ~~things~~ in our favour which I do not want to cite as I do not want to appear prejudiced or prejudiced.

I am trying to put before you the bare facts of the case and, after weighing everything I have never known an election where a man ~~in your position~~ placed in your position could

have better chances of success

Of all your outspoken supporters in the University I have always been the least optimistic in my views and if they saw this letter they would certainly consider that I was grossly understating your chances of success.

Trusting to receive a favourable reply from you soon I remain

Yours respectfully

Jas Robertson

President of the Rect Repr Com.

To Professor Osler
Oxford University
Oxford.

3 July, 08 35

Dear Professor,

The announce-
-ment in this days
Daily Telegraph of
Jan 3rd being put
forward as a
Non-Party - or politi-
cal - Candidate for
the Rectorship of Edin
-burgh University

Las recalled to my
mind the Midnight
interview you held
at Profr Lawrence's
with the Students on
June 12th! an historic Event!
I am glad to know
now that you have
acceded to their requests

and I wish you a
safe trip & a cam-
-ter past Mr Winslow
Churchill!

With kind regard
Yours truly
— Augustine

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University of Edinburgh

The Union
4th July 1908

Dear Sir

The Rectorial Representation Committee wish to thank you most cordially for your kind letter in which you agree to their request to stand as candidate for the Lord Rectorship of Edinburgh University

They can only repeat that nothing will be left undone by them to secure your return at the coming election

Yours Respectfully

President Geo Robertson

Secretary A.H. Scott

To Professor Osler
University
Oxford

University of Edinburgh

The Union
5th July, 1908

Dear Sir

All your supporters were exceedingly gratified when your wire came the other day, and we at once sent out suitable notices to the press.

We are organising most thoroughly for the coming election. Sub-Committees have been formed to canvas each faculty and each individual year has its committee. We have had some little difficulty in

getting a full account of your life and work, as the chief thing we had to draw on in that way was the very brief and modest account in "Who's Who?" However, the Dean and Dr Gibson have filled the breach most admirably, and to-morrow, we will distribute a manifesto along with your life and portrait to every student in the University.

You see in this life we have to try and make your literary capabilities stand as high

as your scientific ones 41
in order to impress the
students outside of medicine
that you are as much to
their faculties as you are
to the medicals.

Would you kindly send
me a list of your works
including books papers and
addresses on non-medical
subjects, as we wish to
draw from them if we can
for election purposes.

I shall post you a copy
of the manifesto or to-morrow

I am getting a great deal
of information and quiet help
from the staff &, knowing their
situation in the matter. I hold
everything as their confidence

Everything is going very smoothly for you just now and we have great prospects that is will continue

Trusting that I have not worried you with too long a letter, I remain

Yours faithfully

Lee Kobacker

The Union
16th July 1908

Dear Sir

We are greatly obliged to you for the list of your publications which you sent to us. We also want to thank you very much for the three copies each of "Aequanimitas" and "Counsels and Ideals" which you ~~sent us~~ also sent. Personally I regret that I have not read them before, and some more of the Committee ~~have~~

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have expressed the same views.
I have an idea that, provided
no copyright be infringed, we
may make a series of extracts
from them for distribution in the
fray in October.

Bye the bye some few individuals
are wondering if it is true that
you ~~advocate~~ mixed classes in
medicine. I have ~~to~~ no doubt
that the idea is not based on any-
thing that you have said or done,
but as the feeling here is very strong
against men and women being in the
same classes in medicine, I promised
to my committee to write you
on the matter. I do not
think that there is anything that
you can do to help us in the
meantime, more than you have done.

Again thanking you for your kind
help I remain

Yours faithfully

Elsie Robertson

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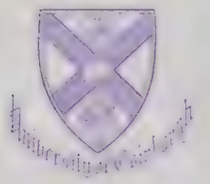
Great Honor Said to Be in Store for Former Baltimore Resident.

Baltimore, Sept. 7.—Dr. William Osler, for many years a resident of Baltimore, but now Regius Professor of Medicine at Oxford University, England, probably will be elected Lord Rector of the University of Edinburgh.

This honor is said to be coming to Dr. Osler on account of the wonderful work he has done at Oxford. It is only given to men who have especially distinguished themselves in the United Kingdom by conspicuous service in the world of learning, politics or philanthrophy.

This position as the head of the University of Edinburgh will not entail his leaving Oxford.



University Union
Park Place
Oct. 2nd 08

Dear Professor Osler,

The contest here has begun in earnest; Liberals & Unionists deluged the place with literature yesterday. We are issuing more literature in reply on Tuesday, when the classes in Arts, Science & Divinity open.
All three parties are now provided with Committee Rooms our own being the largest &

with the literature issued by the other parties on Monday afternoon.

Have you ever written anything about Edinburgh & even said anything which might be traced & quoted? & anything ~~not~~ of yours which showed an acquaintance with & appreciation of our University would be of the utmost value to us. Perhaps you would be kind enough to let me have some information on this point.

There is one other matter in which you could be of assistance to us. We have one excellent photograph of yours which was reproduced some time ago in the "Student"; but our cartoonists would be very grateful if you could let them see one or two others — eg! profile or full length; or drawings

most advantageous in every respect.
In the publication we are issuing on Tuesday I have taken the liberty of promising in your name that you would attend every meeting of the University Court at which any matter seriously affecting the interests of the students would be likely to come up for discussion. From the Editorial point of view such a promise at the outset of its light is important.
If you should, however, not desire it to be given, a wire sent on receipt of this note would be in time to stop the publication.
I will send you a copy of our pamphlet together

or carricatures of yourself.
Needless to say the greatest care
would be taken of anything
you sent & it would be returned
to you as soon as possible.
I am

Yours faithfully

H. Darton Fraser

(Hon. President Rectorial Represent. Committee)

P.S. Meetings of the Court are not frequent – one or two a term & the promise is in elastic terms. If I ~~have~~ get no more to the contrary I will let it go to press.

HF

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A LIST of APPLICATIONS for CERTIFICATES for the SALE of EXCISEABLE LIQUORS for the BURGH and CITY of EDINBURGH for the ensuing Half-year, appears in to-day's Scotsman.

THOMAS HUNTER, W.S., Town-Clerk.
City Chambers, Edinburgh, 3th October 1908.

BURGH OF BATHGATE.

LIST of APPLICANTS for CERTIFICATES for the SALE of EXCISEABLE LIQUORS for the BURGH of BATHGATE for NEW CERTIFICATES — by NEW TENANTS or OCCUPANTS, and for RENEWAL of TRANSFERRED CERTIFICATES.

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I enclose cutting from today's "Dispatch" re: our last night's entertainment. As you will easily understand these militant proceedings, whereby alone Pictorial Effects can be won, involve considerable expense: unfortunately for us we have no wealthy organisation behind us, like the political associations, and so we are ourselves paying all expenses up to date.

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THE EDINBURGH RECTORIAL WAR.

STUDENTS FIGHT ON THE HOUSE-TOPS.

EXCITING SCENES.

What is described as the fiercest rectorial election fight amongst Edinburgh students for a considerable number of years took place last night in Drummond Street. The Liberal Committee, who are running Mr Churchill, have their headquarters in Drummond Street, while almost immediately opposite in Drummond Court the Independent party, who have adopted Professor Osler as their candidate, have their stronghold. The Conservatives, running Mr Wyndham, are located in Lindsay Place.

The partisans of the last-mentioned body held a "smoker" in one of the hotels in the city last night, and a rumour was spread abroad that they subsequently intended to join the Liberals and make a combined attack on the Osler garrison. With commendable promptitude the threatened party gathered in full force, and held their stronghold from an early hour in the evening. As the night drew on, however, and the enemy made no appearance they sallied out and commenced a raid on the Liberal quarters. Climbing the low roof several of the attacking force succeeded in gaining an entrance by one of the windows, and did considerable damage to the rooms before retiring. The evening was now somewhat advanced, and the murmers of the approaching Conservatives and Liberals were now heard, and the outside gate of the Osler fort was barricaded.

AN INACCESSABYE STRONGHOLD.

It would be difficult to imagine a more secure stronghold than that of the Osler garrison. Situated at one end of a small court the only entrance to which is a six-foot passage, which can be closed at will by means of a large gate; it forms a virtual death-trap for any attacking party. Its only weak point is the roof, and this the besiegers did not fail to take advantage of in the ensuing struggle. As the police naturally objected to the scrimmage taking place in the open street the Oslerites had perforce to open their outer gate and let the enemy into the courtyard. The opening of the gate, a somewhat risky proceeding, was carried out with safety, but, unfortunately, the besiegers pressed the beleaguered garrison so closely that three of the Osler party were unavoidably shut out in the courtyard.

A CLEVER RUSE.

Two of them were immediately recognised by the attacking force and they capitulated. The third, however, escaped observation and in a fit of inspiration masqueraded as one of the beseigers. A fierce attack by means of axes was commenced on the barricaded door. Here the usefulness of the disguised Oslerite became apparent. Taking one of the axes from a tired Liberal he pretended to beat down the door, and as soon as he thought the attention of the curious was distracted quietly smuggled the axe out of sight. In this way no fewer than four axes were disposed of. Missles of all descriptions now began to be hurled through the air. Through a mistake some luckless carrier had delivered a quantity of ochre intended for the Liberals at the Osler garrison earlier in the day and there was thus no lack of ammunition in the beseiged camp. They were also aided by a powerful hose which completely drenched the yelling crowd in the court yard below.

AN EXCITING TUSSLE.

A diversion was then created by the attacking force. Scrambling up a low roof of a building at the back of the fort they commenced to remove the slates. This manœuvre, however, was too much for the inhabitants of the surrounding houses who had long been itching to participate in the tussle, and one or two members of the fair sex rushed to the windows with pails of water and emptied them on the heads of the Conservatives and Liberals. One unlucky student who had been staring open-mouthed at the unprecedented spectacle received such a forceful drenching that he was tumbled clean off the roof into the passage beneath. Warfare on the roof was continued with unabated fury for some time, and was not unattended with casualties, one student receiving so severe injuries that a truce had to be called and the wounded man removed from his exalted position. After having his injuries dressed at the Infirmary, however, he returned undaunted to the scene of conflict to assist his party.

POLICE INTERFERE.

As the night drew on and the pandemonium showed no signs of diminishing, a strong force of police interfered and cleared the court of the attacking party. Their appearance as they wended their way home was certainly extraordinary. Drenched with water, their faces covered with a mixture of lampblack and linseed oil, their clothes from liberal applications of ochre looking more like shale miners than anything else, their appearance was greeted by the spectators with shouts of laughter.

A PICTURESQUE SCENE.

This morning the Osler stronghold exhibited unmistakeable signs of the combat. The passage, courtyard, walls, &c., presented a gaudy spectacle by reason of the coloured matter adhering to them. If the outside was curious the inside of the fort was more so. Entrance to this was gained by a narrow ladder stretching up to one of the lower windows. An overcoat or two, upon which three sler champions had been keeping an all-night vigil, were spread over several rude wooden benches. An empty beer bottle with a dissipated-looking candle stuck in it lent its assistance in lighting up the dingy apartment, while numerous other bottles which had once contained ginger-beer testified that the besieged had been fortifying themselves against the demands of the inner man during the night. Placards with "Vote for Osler" stared from every corner of the wall, while a couple of dilapidated chairs had "Osler" cut out on their seats.

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various professional men, and if you could tell me of any person in Scotland or anywhere whom you think would be pleased to help us I should be much obliged. Of course no one would know that you had been consulted.

We are practically certain of winning this election if only we can continue the campaign as we have begun it; and our majority should be at least four hundred over either Mr Wyndham or Mr Churchill.

Yours sincerely

Charles W. Stobie.

(Assist. Hon. Sec., C. U. R. C.)

Mr R. Scott, Secretary, Conservative Club, Perth.

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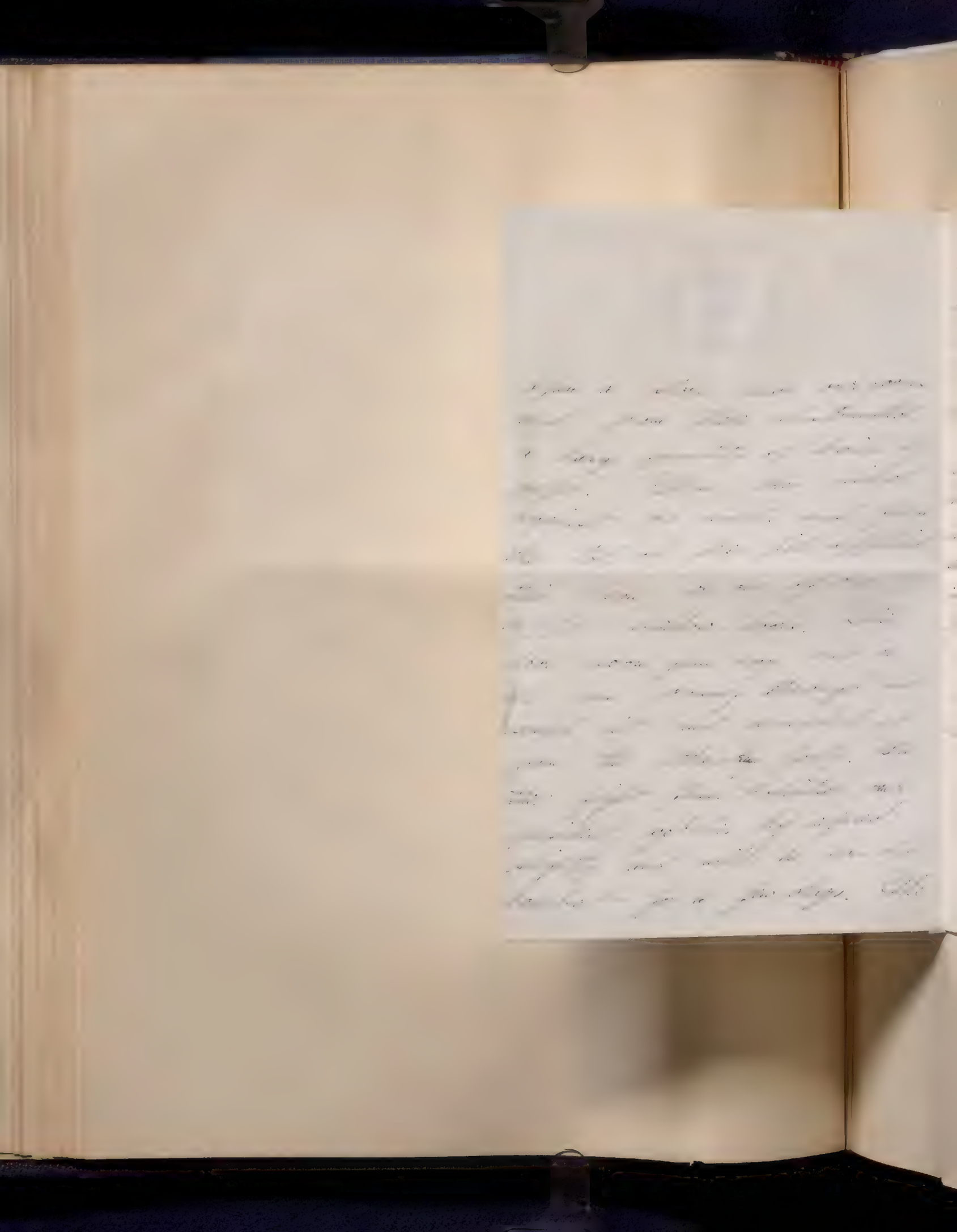

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My dear Osler

I understand from some of our friends at Edinburgh that there is a prospect of a three cornered contest for the Edinburgh Professorship - If there should take place it seems probable that the Professorship will be vacated, and I am requested, and

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a victory for Free Trade
as one of our principles
of Government.

You are, I believe, an
ardent Tariff Reformer
but as such would view
such a result with
disfavour —

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your way to do so I should
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yours very truly
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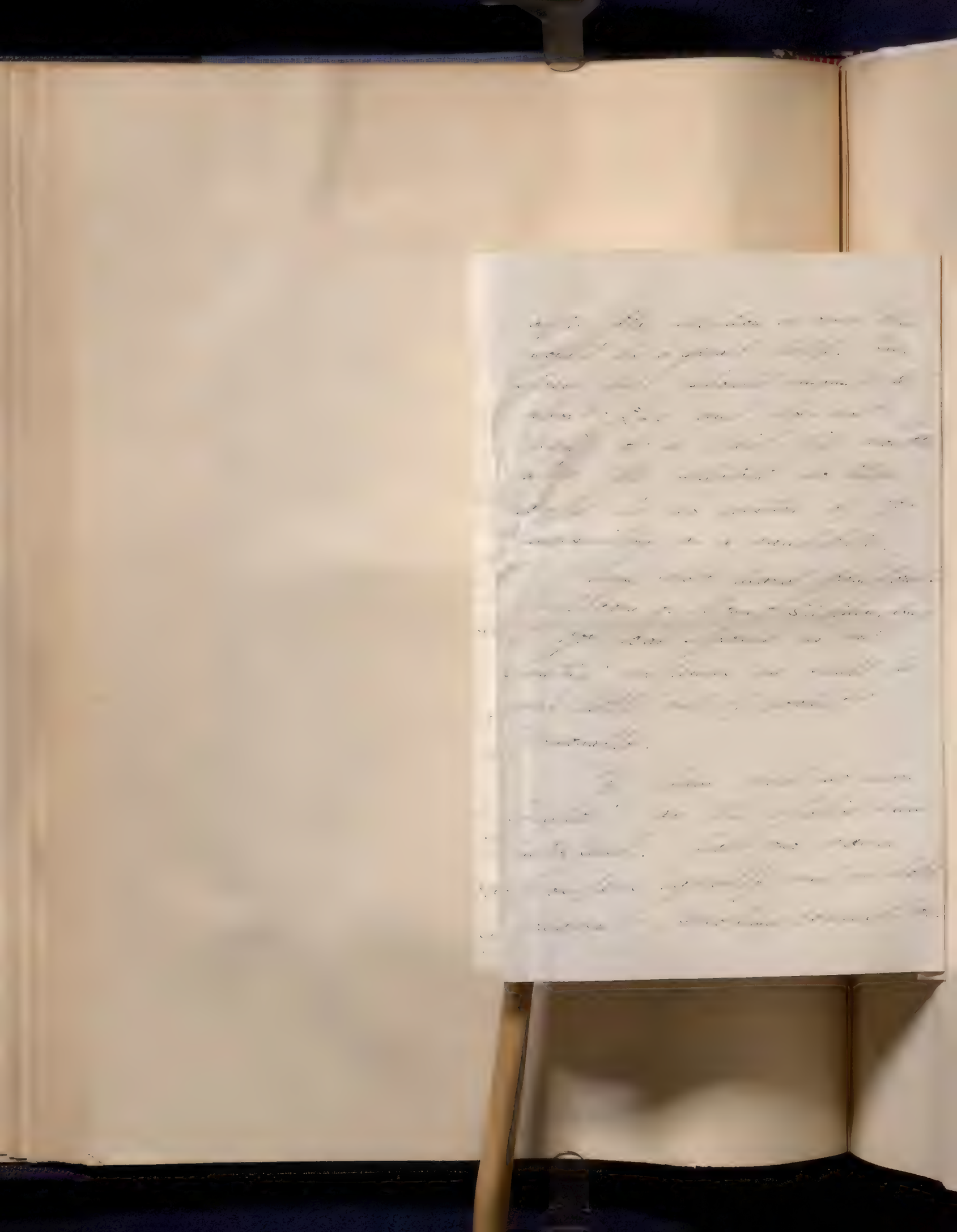

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RECTORIAL elections in the Scottish Universities are the effervescence of politics. It is the peculiar privilege of those who take part in them to revive the practices of Eatanswill, and to raise more than the dust of controversy. But with this exuberance there is also at times gravity becoming large issues, and that gravity finds most appropriate expression in the deliberate selection of prominent politicians as protagonists in the contests. When candidates are chosen for other reasons than political, a rectorial election is apt to miss fire. There have been exceptional occasions when this could not be said. Carlyle defeated Disraeli by 657 to 310 in 1866. But nothing like this contest has been seen since: Professor Osler's admirers cannot venture any comparison with that soul-stirring fight to justify their intrusion at this time. For their action is that of intruders. This is said with ready admission of Professor Osler's professional eminence. His reputation is so great that it gained for him some years ago a prospect of serving Edinburgh University in another way. Before he went to Oxford many desired that he should come to our University to occupy a medical chair. But the scientific attainments that are fitly rewarded with a professoriate are not exactly the qualities looked for in a Lord Rector. Elections like those which are now in progress in Edinburgh and Glasgow are, so to speak, an extra-mural course of political education. They engage the fresh intelligence of the student in Parliamentary and constitutional affairs; they strengthen the outfit of principles without appreciation of which good citizenship is impossible. Professor Osler must, therefore, be ruled out; the students who give their votes to him will do what they can to deprive the election of its peculiar [illegible] of Mr Keir Hardie is to [illegible] sary to say that his appearance at Glasgow is scarcely less a freak than his apparition generally is. It would be unfair to besmudge him with personal affinity to Mr Grayson, whose antics again disturbed the House of Commons yesterday; yet his principles and his platform extravagances are virtually as revolutionary and foggy. Both in Glasgow and in Edinburgh the fight lies between Unionism and Radicalism; between moderation and its opposite: between principles that are capable of definition and confusion of ideas which is ever increasing.

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when she heard that. He would not tell her when she asked him, but would put her off by saying she was very suspicious. He would not tell her where he resided, and she was very annoyed, because she thought she had a right to know.

Cross-examined by Mr T. Graham Robertson, she said she had nine replies to her advertisement. Several of the writers called, and she selected accused, because she thought he was the most suitable for her. She was quite positive he never told her he was married. What would she want with a married men? (Laughter.) By the middle of March she thought he was not worth the having, and told him so. She had two daughters, one 20 and the other 18.

One of the daughters stated that she knew accused, as he had visited at the house, with a view, she understood, to marrying her mother. On one occasion she was walking in Sauchiehall Street and saw accused, who spoke to her and took her arm. She at first thought he knew her, but when she discovered that he did not recognise her she made herself known, and he apologised for not having called on her mother.

A clergyman deposed that he was present at accused's marriage in 1893, and that his wife was still alive.

OTHER CHARGES AGAINST ACCUSED.

This concluded the evidence on the first charge. The rest of the long indictment was taken up with eight charges against Maxwell of having induced several persons to pay sums ranging from £10 to £50 security before entering his employment as debt collectors or partners. The total sum thus appropriated amounted to £225. All the men told a similar story of answering accused's advertisements and being offered a post as collector on salary and commission, and in some cases a partnership, and then, after paying him money, being sent all over the city hunting up people at certain addresses. In some cases the men got a salary for a week or two, and then it stopped. One man said one day's experience convinced him that the thing was a fraud—that accused kept them tramping all over the city just to pass the time. There was no attempt to arrange the work in districts: three or four men would be coming across each other in the same district, though each had long distances to walk, and had to visit at houses far apart.

The jury, after a short absence, returned a unanimous verdict of guilty.

THREE YEARS' PENAL SERVITUDE.

Lord M'Laren said that, looking to the fact that accused had twice been previously convicted of fraud, and t othe number of cases—no less than nine, and one of them a very heartless proceeding in promising marriage—he could not take a lenient view of prisoner's conduct. He passed sentence of three years' penal servitude.

NEW COURT—BEFORE LORD MACKENZIE.

SENTENCE IN A CULPABLE HOMICIDE CASE.

John M'Caffery, a one-legged man, who the previous day was convicted on evidence of having caused his wife's death, was sentenced to four years' penal servitude. It was alleged in the indictment that in his house at 230 Nuneaton Street, Bridgeton, Glasgow, he struck his wife, who was then in a state of pregnancy, with his crutch, and that in her terror and anxiety to escape his violence she went outside the window, and fell to the ground, sustaining injuries which caused her death.

John Boyle, a middle-aged labourer, was charged with assaulting Andrew Steel Brown by striking him with a bowl on the head, knocking him down, and kicking him, inflicting injuries from which he died in the Royal Infirmary. Both men resided in houses in the same tenement at 9 Lyon Street, Cowcaddens, and it was alleged by witnesses that they were under the influence of drink on the night of the tragedy, 22d August. A girl stated that she saw Brown go along the passage and enter Boyle's house, which was next his own. Boyle came home soon afterwards, and she heard him ask Brown what he was doing there. The latter asked to be excused, as he had got into the wrong house. Witness, expecting a row, called to another girl, and with a pair of scissors they prised open the door and watched. They saw Boyle throw a bowl, which struck Brown on the forehead, and caused him to fall. Boyle kicked him, and then ran out of the house, and Brown was subsequently taken to the Infirmary. When challenged by the police, accused admitted the assault, but said deceased was annoying his wife. For the defence, accused's wife said she was in bed when Brown entered. He attacked her, but she threw him on the floor. Accused's agent asked for a verdict of justifiable homicide, but the jury convicted of culpable homicide, and sentence of five years' penal servitude was passed.

FOUR YEARS FOR A BOTTLE OF RUM.

Robert Armstrong was sentenced to four years' penal servitude, and Margaret Armstrong and Mary Ann M'Gibbons or M'Caskill to eighteen months each, for having assaulted a man in King Street and robbed him of a bottle of rum. All three had previously been in trouble.

BILLIARDS.

ROBERTS v. HARVERSON.—Some highly interesting play was seen at Thurston's yesterday afternoon in the match in which Roberts is allowing his opponent 4000 points in 18,000 under Billiard Association rules. The veteran had slightly the best of the scoring, compiling an aggregate of 773 to 728. His best breaks were 231, 91, 90, 78, and 71, to 40, 108, 84, and 74 unfinished by Harverson. Interval score:—Harverson, 9253; Roberts, 5774. At night there was another good attendance. Harverson made his unfinished break into 114, and followed with 80, 61, and 147. Roberts was responsible for 96, 153, 110, and 61. Closing scores:—Harverson, 9835; Roberts 6495.

STEVENSON v. AIKEN.—These players continued their heat in Burroughes & Watt's provincial tournament yesterday in Newcastle. In the afternoon Stevenson made

University of Edinburgh

Oct 14th 1908

My dear Osler

I did not know that you were in Paris & wrote you yesterday in regard to Gibson's certificate addressing my letter to Oxford.

Now your note has come & I am not surprised to find you

somewhat puzzled as
in regard to Electoral
matters in Edin: We
are all very much
in the same state of
mind. One anticipation
which we had has
not been realized. Many
of us thought that Jas
would draw chiefly
from the Liberal camp.
So far as I can hear
the Liberals stand aloof.
utely, staunch by their
miserable specimen of

a candidate whilst
you have made a
very serious inroad
into the batalions of the
Conservatives. This no
doubt is the reason
of their crying out to you
to with draw.

For my part I
do not see how you
could with draw in
favour of either one
or other candidate.
If you with drew I don't
suppose you would ask
your supporters to transfer

their allegiance to one side or the other but I am pretty sure that (no matter what you said) is the Conservative side which would be the chief gainers by your withdrawal.

I am afraid the Liberals are going to win whatever happens.

I am glad you are having such a good time in Paris.

Perhaps you may be our Lord Rector yet! At a fourth Election we can forecast the result. If you saved us from Churchill you would earn our undying gratitude

Yours

D. Cunningham

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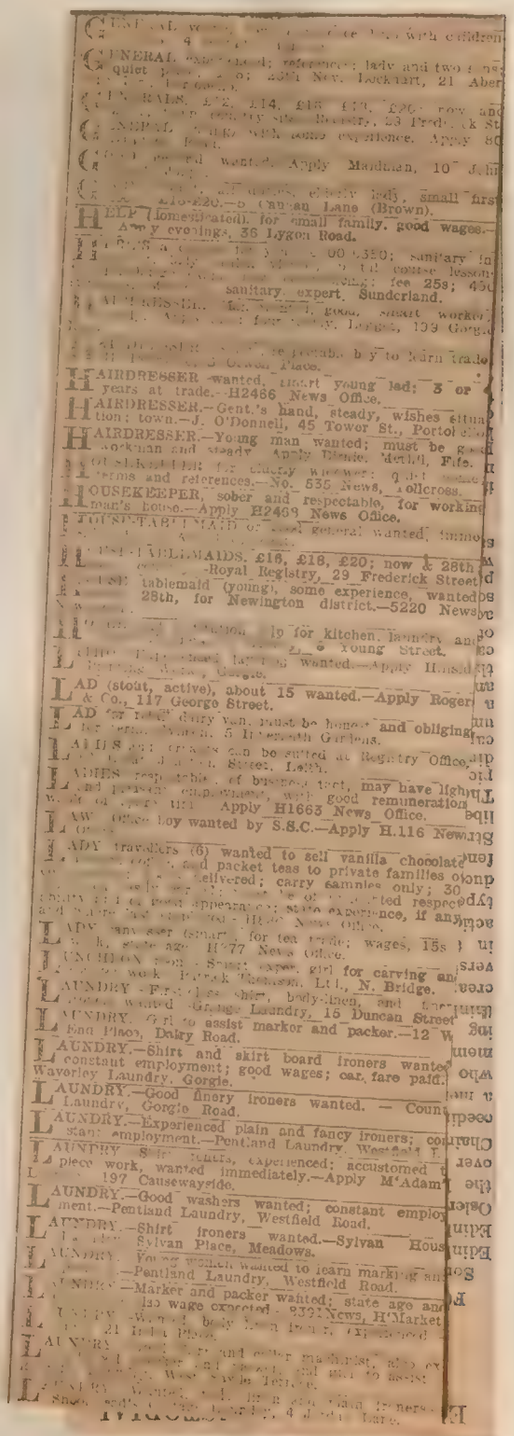

EDINBURGH RECTORIAL ELECTION.

EXTRAORDINARY SCENES.

FOUR CASUALTIES: TWO ARRESTS.

Some extraordinary scenes were witnessed in Edinburgh last night in connection with the Edinburgh University rectorial election. The Osler party held a smoker at eight o'clock in the Imperial Hotel, at which there would be over 200 supporters of the party present. The Chairman, Mr James Robertson, opened the proceedings by remarking that that night would be a memorable one for the students of Edinburgh, who thought for themselves, and a memorable one for those who, according to their own literature, "don't think." He was pleased to observe present the cream of the fighting talent of Edinburgh University. They had had their humour and troubles in this election. They had threatened libel actions and wire-pulling of the most detestable type. Mr Isaac Furst, S.S.C., who was introduced as the gentleman who had successfully defended the students connected with the Queen Street Hall riot, referred to the threat of a libel action on the part of Mr J. Wales Cameron. The Liberal president, he said, was the mouthpiece of his party, and any communication directed to him was likewise in his political capacity. He could not see how he could take umbrage at what did occur. It was a circumstance unprecedented in the annals of rectorial fights. He did not think the action was ever intended to be carried out, and he thought that even if a firm of lawyers had been consulted they would have advised strongly against it. A programme of songs was carried through, and about 9.30 the party lined up outside the hotel, making their way to the camp of the Wyndhamites in Lindsay Place.

THE SCENE AT LINDSAY PLACE.

The police had evidently been apprised of the intended raid, and a detachment of about 20 men, under Inspector Bell, were in waiting. The presence of a force of police, together with the howling from the windows by the Wyndhamites, caused a large crowd to collect, and even before the business began the police had their work cut out to keep the thoroughfares clear. It was intimated that the police would allow no rowdyism in the streets, and the fight was to be confined to the stair leading to the committee rooms. Reinforcements to the police arrived soon after the commencement of hostilities, and there were riots on a miniature scale in several places. In George IV. Bridge one innocent citizen, an elderly gentleman, who had the misfortune to be passing along on the pavement at the time, was flung on his back. A student was struck on the head with a stick, and had to be taken to the Infirmary to have a nasty gash attended to. One student was arrested for assaulting a policeman, and another was also taken into custody, the charge being breach of the peace. The first was allowed out on bail when hostilities ceased, but the other, being under the influence of drink, was detained.

THE ATTACK ON THE BARRICADES.

When the Oslerites entered the stair about ten o'clock, the huge crowd of spectators could only hear the battering of an axe on the door leading to the Wyndhamite stronghold. The door had been specially erected to withstand this attack, a thick piece of wood being plated inside and outside with steel. In addition to this fortification the Conservatives had made a large hole in the roof, and while the attackers were at work at the door those above stood calmly over them with three hose which poured out water by the gallon. The water was accompanied with occasional showers of kerosene, blue paint, and chemical liquids which gave vent to obnoxious fumes. These overtook the leader of the attacking force, who had been belabouring the barricade with a huge axe for an hour before he was removed from the staircase in a state of collapse. He had been extricated on the point of suffocation, and was detained at the Royal Infirmary. To add to the troubles of the Oslerites the gas had been put out by the water, and the jet remaining turned on the atmosphere inside was certainly not in the attacking party's favour.

AN ACCIDENT.

An accident occurred to one of the defenders, who was cut about the arm in endeavouring to prevent the fall of the door, a strip of which, a few inches in breadth, had been carried away. A truce was called, and a ladder having been obtained, the unfortunate youth was handed bodily through the window to a comrade, who carried him down the ladder and along to the Infirmary. Other casualties, though of a minor nature, are reported. At intervals members of the Osler party emerged from the stair, soaked, with their faces dyed blue and their clothes spoiled, and a number of the shivering individuals slid out of sight, and made their way homewards.

A TRUCE CALLED.

It was only after a couple of hours hammering that the Oslerites realised the hopelessness of their task, and at twelve o'clock when the noble band of warriors had dwindled away to about thirty a truce was called. The announcement was greeted with great cheering by the Wyndhamites, who flourished beer bottles to the accompaniment of their party ditties. An attempt was made from the inside to break down the door, but this was unsuccessful, and egress was obtained by sliding into the street by means of a rope. A grocer's shop underneath, occupied by Mr James Milne, was considerably damaged by water, while the tobacconist on the other side of the passage had also some goods damaged in the same manner. The police endeavoured to get the water turned off at the main, but some time elapsed before this was accomplished. The crowd gradually faded away, and by 12.30 the only evidences of the fight were given by the streams of water which continued to flow from the stair.

POLICE COURT PROCEEDINGS.

One of the young men who were arrested, Hugh Morris, residing at 59 Forrest Road, was charged at the City Police Court this morning—Bailie Inches presiding—with having in Chambers Street behaved in a disorderly manner, assaulted a constable by striking him several blows on the face and knocking off his helmet. Accused, a stalwart young man, pleaded not guilty, and accordingly the case was delayed till to-morrow for trial. The other, named Leslie Armstrong residing at Ramsay Gardens, failed to appear. The charge against him is breach of the peace. He will be warned to appear to-morrow, when if he does not do so, a warrant will be issued for his apprehension.

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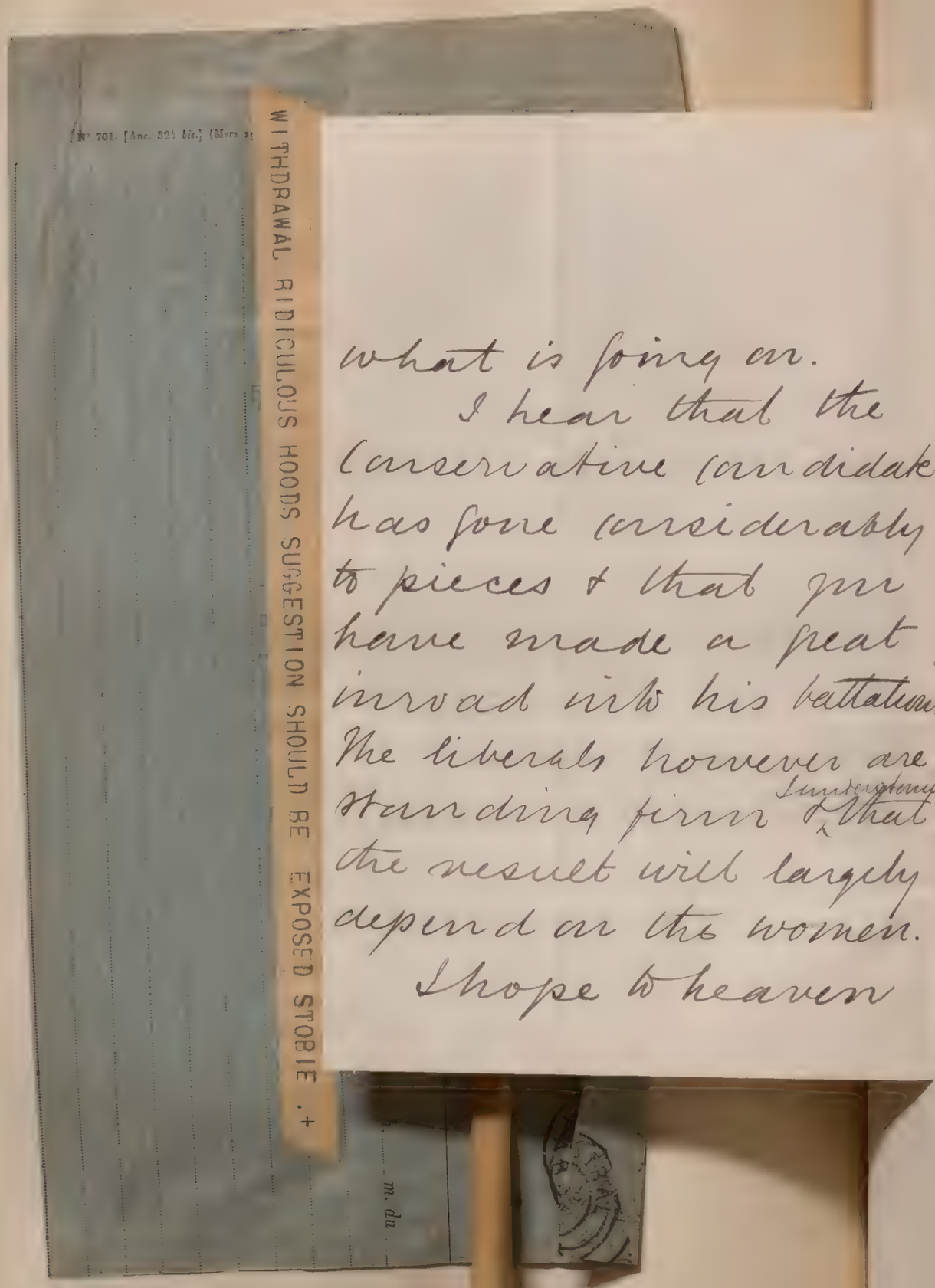

what is going on.

I hear that the Conservative candidate has gone considerably to pieces & that you have made a great inroad into his battalion. The liberals however are standing firm & that the result will largely depend on the women.

I hope to heaven

that you will save us
from having as our
Rector that miserable
wretch Winston Churchill.
But all this is
for your private ear as
I am supposed to stand
absolutely aloof from
the contest

Ever Sincerely Yours
D. V. Cunningham

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RECTORIAL ELECTION ROWDYISM IN EDINBURGH.

STUDENTS' HISTORIC FIGHT.

STORMY PROCEEDINGS IN LINDSAY PLACE.

MANY CASUALTIES. TWO ARRESTS.

One of the biggest Rectorial "rows" that have occurred in the streets of Edinburgh for many a day took place in Lindsay Place and district last night. The disturbance was the result of an attack by the supporters of Dr Osler, candidate for the Lord Rectorship of Edinburgh University, on the committee rooms of the Conservatives, who have nominated Wyndham for the post. Previous to the fight the Oslerites had a smoking concert in the Imperial Hotel, where the fighting mood was encouraged by various methods. Mr James Robertson, chairman of the Osler party who presided, said the night would be a memorable one for the students of Edinburgh University, and he hoped they would make it a specially memorable one by showing those students who told them in their literature that they "don't think." (Loud cheers.) The students assembled in the room were the cream of the fighting force of the University. It was a fighting force that had never yet been beaten. They had their struggles and many lively fights. They had also had quarrelling of a most detestable type. The political party in power could not refrain from interfering in the work and affairs of the students of the University. (Hear, hear, and loud yelling.) The Lord Rectorship above all was an office which was entirely at the disposal of the students of the University, and they would show that by electing Dr Osler. (Loud cheering.)

Mr Isaac Furst, S.S.C., said the students should support Dr Osler on the ground that he was a man who understood University affairs and had more time to give to his duties than the political party candidates. Mr Wales Cameron, the Liberal party president, he said, had no right to take the statements made recently as personal. He regretted the Liberal party's effort to bring influence to bear on Sir Acland Hood to try to prevent Dr Osler from taking part in the contest. A programme of music and vocalism was discoursed, a number of the students, who numbered in all fully two hundred, regaling themselves freely.

CONSERVATIVES PREPARED.

Leaving the hotel, the party formed up in Bank Street, and marched to the Conservative rooms in Lindsay Place. These were garrisoned by a squad of about two hundred Conservatives, and the place had been specially prepared to withstand the expected onslaught. The rooms are up a flight of stairs, and it appears that some arrangements had been come to with the police who regulate students could fight as much as the public in this stairway so long as the public thoroughfare was kept clear of the combatants. At the top of the steps Wyndham's supporters had erected a thick wooden partition. Beyond this was the door to the rooms. The door had a steel plating, and was firmly fixed with wooden props on the inside. There were several holes in the roof of the lobby, and through these a number of lines of hose were placed, their purpose being to keep continuous streams of water flowing on the aggressors. On the roof there were about fifty Conservatives armed with ochre, soot, and other such ammunition. They were posted there with a view to preventing the Oslerites from effecting an entrance to their stronghold by means of the skylight. When the Oslerites arrived on the scene they were greeted with loud booing from the windows of the Conservative rooms. A large number of the public had gathered on the spot and some hundred policemen were at one time engaged keeping the crowd away from the doorway.

OSLERITES GET TO WORK.

Carr, the leader of the Oslerites, who was armed with a huge woodman's axe, marched [illegible] the stairway followed by the others of the party who were, for the most part, provided with jemmies, crowbars, and axes. Some began hard at work on the wooden partition while others, but he was toiling under great difficulties. Water came down upon the attackers in several jets, and finding that this did not prevent the erection of the barricade the Conservatives began throwing ochre down. Still Carr battered at the door, making scarcely any impression on it. Oil was then poured down and the air in the lobby was stifling. This had the effect of sending a few of the Oslerites out for fresh air, but they were soon back again assisting in breaking down the barricade. A shower of some very strong pepper was next poured down from above, and even Carr had to take a rest. Shortly afterwards an Oslerite's coat, thick with [illegible] and the [illegible] time presented a weird appearance, and it was impossible to distinguish between white students and dark-skinned ones so clothed were they with soot and oil.

A COMPLAINT AGAINST THE POLICE.

Meanwhile there was rowdyism in the open thoroughfare. There had been a considerable number of spectators, and these the police had great difficulty in keeping away from the scene of the fight. Several times the squad of constables was augmented, and it was only through their great numbers that a riot was prevented. As it was, there were a few people hurt and two arrests made. As a result of one incident it is understood that a complaint has been lodged against a police inspector for assault. There were several exciting passages between the unruly mob and the police, and the latter were more than once compelled to exert their utmost strength. One affray in George IV. Bridge ended in an arrest being made.

OSLERITES MAKE PROGRESS.

By this time the dauntless Carr had succeeded in breaking down the first barricade and had attacked the door. Another party of Oslerites made an attempt to storm the rooms from behind, but though Crawford the leader of this force did all in his power to assail the stronghold by means of ladders and soil-pipes, he was beaten back by the sturdy defenders. A Conservative sustained an injury to his wrist. He was let down from the window by a ladder and taken to the Infirmary. Carr, meanwhile, made great headway at the door, and the Conservatives, becoming alarmed, kept the water and oil pouring at its hardest. A grocer, Mr James Milne, and a tobacconist, Mr James Lawrie, who have shops on each side of the lobby where the fight took place, suffered considerably. The grocer reports that the damage done to his goods amounts to over a hundred pounds.

At a quarter to eleven the happy notion of turning off the water came to the inspector in charge. The other apart- [illegible] the usual election [illegible] of "Winston," with [illegible] of "Bingo," placed over it, [illegible]

LOOKS AT THE INFIRMARY.

Inquiries at the Infirmary this morning elicited the [illegible] that the young student who had been [illegible] had [illegible] suffering from the effects of [illegible] had made a satisfactory recovery, and would be discharged during the forenoon. When the [illegible] from the scene in Lindsay [illegible] a number of students, it seems, was formed [illegible] for the Infirmary. On arrival at the [illegible] there were [illegible] refused admission, and a [illegible] ensued, which [illegible] did not have any [illegible] consequences. The other [illegible] of a minor character, none of the sufferers being considered for treatment.

A SPECTATOR AND THE POLICE.

["TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EVENING DISPATCH."]

17 Royal Crescent,
Edinburgh, October 22, 1903.

Sir,—May I draw the attention of the public to the conduct of the police at Lindsay Place last night? As they [illegible] could the situation be said to have called for their intervening in the harsh manner they did. Yet, not only did they harry [illegible] particularly that section of the [illegible] was not "well put on." They [illegible] these were, and made the [illegible] were afraid of the "gentlemen," [illegible] with considerable deference, addressed the students.

Again and again I saw perfectly respectable [illegible], who attempted to pass from Forrest Road to George IV. Bridge, thrown back. Instead of simply drawing up a cordon of officers and keeping the crowd behind it, the inspector spread his men all over the place, so that only the cars could get past, or at least tried to effect that.

I trust that the events of the night will result in an inquiry into the whole affair, when some astonishing revelations may be looked for.—I am, &c.

A. M. DOWNIE.

TO-DAY'S POLICE COURT PROCEEDINGS.

To-day might be called "Students' Day" at the Police Court. Two of these young warriors had been arrested in connection with the disturbance in Lindsay Place last night, one on a charge of assault on a policeman, and the other on one of disorderly conduct and breach of the peace. Both students had been bailed out. When the Court proceedings commenced there was a goodly number of students in the Court-room.

A plea of not guilty was tendered by the first student, Hugh Morris, 89 Forrest Road, called to [illegible] conducting himself in a disorderly manner in Lindsay Place last night, and assault [illegible] in the execution of his duty, and of [illegible] off his helmet, whereby it was [illegible]. Accused said he had his witnesses in Court, and wished to have the case proceeded with [illegible] but the Magistrate would not hear [illegible] was continued till to-morrow.

The other student, Leslie Ar[illegible]song, who resided [illegible] Gardens, and against whom there was a charge of conducting himself in a disorderly manner in Lindsay Place, failed to put in an appearance. [illegible] proceedings will be taken, and if he does not answer to the charge to-morrow he will be apprehended.

LIBERALS HOLD TEETOTAL "SMOKER."

TELEGRAM FROM WINSTON CHURCHILL.

In connection with the Rectorial election the Edinburgh University Liberal Association held a temperance—"smoker" last night in the Carlton Hotel, Edinburgh.

Mr Wales Cameron, the president of the Students' Representative Council, who occupied the chair, read the following telegram:—"I am much indebted to you [illegible] your splendid [illegible]." These [illegible] and Mr Churchill's majority [illegible] more than doubled before Saturday. [illegible] Mr Churchill's luck, or his [illegible] ght in which he had been [illegible] a tough one, and this Rectorial [illegible] ception to the rule. Put the [illegible] he [illegible] place confidence in their candidate. He [illegible] to draw the sympathy of every one in [illegible] and throughout the country. They [illegible] good cause, and having [illegible] were confident they would [illegible] fighting two [illegible] (Cheers.) Miss Flora [illegible] hurst [illegible] was received at first in Hollo[illegible] Jan[illegible] speech.

The C[illegible] had during school themselves in [illegible] Conservative [illegible] now tried to get someone [illegible] chief of the Conservative party. They were welcome to their catch. Sir Alexander Acland Hood was a notable person—("Question")—but he did not know what that gentleman had to do with this election. There was one thing made perfectly clear by that day's publications, and that was that the Tory party was a man-made party—the Conservative Whip pulled the string and the figure worked. (Hear, hear.) This was the way with its members in the House of Commons. Whatever the Whip said all the Conservatives repeated like parrots. They had been free from such tactics in the University, for that was not the place for them. They were students, and one thing a University [illegible] was its desire for the utmost [illegible] and action. The Conservatives were giving up all ideas of such independence. But he would not believe for a single moment that the students of the University of Edinburgh would listen to the dictations of the Conservative Whip. They would not belong to a party which did not allow them to act freely for themselves. So they would not vote for Wyndham. The Conservative Whip had been scared and terrified out of his life; his hair was standing on end, and his knees knocking together; he was trembling for the fate of poor George Wyndham, simply because he knew very well that George Wyndham was no match for Winston Churchill. The Conservatives were putting up a man who had no career to fall back upon. But all the Conservatives would not vote for the man simply because he was a Conservative. They would vote for the best man. The Whip had tried to get Dr Osler to withdraw, but the speaker was unconcerned as to what Dr Osler intended doing. He believed that Dr Osler was not looked upon as merely a non-political candidate. It was [illegible] that he was a strong tariff reformer. People outside the University doubtless considered that Dr Osler's candidature was the candidature of one Conservative against another.

NOT THE MAN.

Was their [illegible] to be a professor or not? He emphatically said they should not have a professor. What was the Rectorship? It was the bulwark of studentism against the dominance of the professors. What sort of appearance would Dr Osler make in the University Court? He would be a professor sitting among the other professors. He would not set aside the ordinary professorial etiquette and oppose the other professors when they and the students had a difference. It would be a most unfortunate position for the students of the Edinburgh University. They would be compelled to put their cases before a man who would be prejudiced against them. That was Dr Osler's status in the Court. On the other hand, they offered a man who was not prejudiced either way—if not in favour of the students, because he was a young man himself. They would put their cases before him, and he would not stand for a moment the dominance of the professors. He would look into their cases, and would be their advocate in the University Court, in the Higher Courts, and even in the capital. If they elected Dr Osler they were throwing to the winds all the privileges held in the University. If they elected Winston Churchill they would have a man determined that no effort would be spared to promote the interests of the University. Would they accept him? ("Yes, yes.") If Dr Osler had been an English or Scottish professor instead of an American—unacquainted with the conditions of the [illegible] never have accepted the [illegible] a candidate.

THE [illegible] REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE.

In his innocent ignorance he had accepted the invitation of a company of men who, to say the least of it, had no better knowledge of University affairs. It was a fact that the Rectorial Representation Committee had to hold a meeting to discover what the Rectorship was. No wonder they called Dr Osler—a professor! The whole thing was a picture of [illegible]e and ignorance, and almost baffled the imagination. The Rectorship should [illegible] in a political office for definite reasons. They wanted a man who would safeguard their interests. That man had to be a fighter, ready to put his whole soul into the work of promoting University reform, and the man who could do that was Winston Churchill. Referring to the Provincial Committee, Mr Cameron, continuing, said that there had been an Education Bill before Parliament under which they had certain privileges. A pension scheme had also been introduced. These were privileges very highly valued. They were asked to throw aside the people who had given these to them, and elect a non-political rector who could do nothing for them inside or outside Parliament. They had two issues. Were they going to elect a political candidate or not? The arguments in favour of the political candidate were overwhelming. The arguments against having a professor were equally overwhelming. [illegible] of the best man [illegible] interests of the [illegible] [illegible] failure in Ireland [illegible] three candidates [illegible] a Professor [illegible] one further [illegible] was he the best man [illegible] and cries of "Yes." [illegible] the University [illegible] vote in favour of Winston Churchill. (Loud applause.)

[illegible] toast of Winston Churchill, proposed by the chairman, was received with tremendous enthusiasm, as was also that of the "Red and Yellow." During the evening appropriate songs were rendered by several students, and a humorous story was narrated by Professor Simpson's son. Mr Kerr, who arranged the meeting, said that it was a pleasure to see such a large number present. [illegible] one hundred and fifty students were present.

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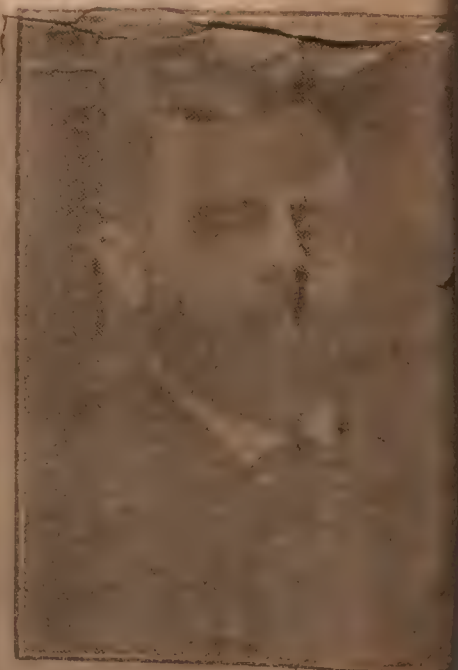

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Mr William Inman who is to oppose Bailie Forrest in the Morningside Ward in connection with the Edinburgh municipal election.

OPERA AT THE [illegible]

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A COMPLAINT AGAINST THE POLICE.

Meanwhile there was [illegible] the close [illegible] conflict. There had been a [illegible] spectators, and these the police had [illegible] in keeping away from [illegible] several times the signal of [illegible] sounded, and it was [illegible] that a riot was [illegible] As it was, [illegible] a few people [illegible] two [illegible] as a result of the [illegible] complaint has been lodged against [illegible] for assault. There was [illegible] between the [illegible] latter were more [illegible] their utmost strength. [illegible] to exceed in an [illegible] being made.

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At a quarter to eleven the happy notion of turning off the water came to the Inspector in charge of the police. Accordingly, a Water Trust official was sent for, but after about half an hour's search for a key that did not fit, he was dismissed [illegible] the task. Another key was procured, but it was not until about a quarter of an hour before midnight that the supply of water was cut off. Several lady students, supporters of Dorcas Union, arrived at Lindsay Place Post office and cleared away their begrimed partisans in the close.

ASSAILANTS HALF-SUFFOCATED.

About twenty past eleven the Osleri[illegible] sent to their headquarters for a battering ram and with this they tried to bring down the door, but it withstood their efforts marvellously. One or two other students were at this stage taken to the Infirmary suffering from [illegible] At a little past eleven the atmosphere in the lobby became unbearable, and several students, [illegible] were either hustled or carried by the [illegible] out away into the open [illegible] Still the [illegible] was maintained at the door. The most [illegible] Conservatives stuck to it for a few minutes [illegible] last. They poured some [illegible] oil, the fumes of which were [illegible] fume. Carr, the redoubtable, dropped his axe [illegible] went into a swoon. He was carried [illegible]

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THE NEXT GORDON-BENNETT BALLOON RACE.

ondon, 2.30 p.m. With reference to the New ...k telegram respecting the next Gordon-Bennett ...e balloon race, Mr Perrin, secretary of the British ...on race, Mr Perrin, secretary of the Central News that it is ... Club, informs the Central News that it is ...ossible to accept the invitation of the St Louis ... Club, for the reason that if the next race be ...eld in England it must, according to the ...take place in France. The enormous ex... would prevent competitors going to St.

COUNCILLOR NEIL M'LEOD'S RETIREMENT.

THE EDITOR OF THE "EVENING DISPATCH"]
61 Harrison Road, October 22.

As I am one of the three members of the ... that the Section ... Wednes... to the "Re-electing ordinance ... in the Council does not apply to me. Ne... firm have done one penny worth of work ... of the Town's contractors. I am, &c
NEIL M'LEOD.

MARKETS.

CORN.

EITH.—Oats weighing 12 st. 12 lb., sold at 19s. ... 2 st. 4 lb. oats made 18s.; barley weighing 16 st. ... sold 24s., and wheat weighing 18 st. 4 lb., 38s.
TICK.—There was a fair trade to-day, prices showing ...hange. New oats 18s. to 20s.; old oats, 22s. to 24s. ...; new barley, 24s. to 26s. per qr.; oats, oil, 34s. to ...; barley meal, 26s.; flour, 36s. to 40s.; Indian meal, ... load of 20 stones.
ERPOOL.—Wheat on spot steady, holders asking the ... trading, however, is no more active, latest ... December, 7s. 8½d. per cental sellers. Flour con... in moderate demand. Maize very quiet, but quota... are unchanged from yesterday. Peas firm. Oats ... unaltered. Beans steady. Barley quiet, steady.
ERPOOL PRICES.—Wheat futures opening quiet, ... advance; trading, graded, November, 7s. 8½d. ... value; March, 6s. 9½d.; close, May, 6s. 5½d., ... value; March, 6s. 9½d.; close, May, 6s. 5½d., ... 8½d. value; March, 6s. 9½d.; Maize futures nominal; Flour quieter, 5s. 8½d.; ... Maize futures nominal; Flour quieter, 5s. 8½d.; ... per, 5s. 7½d.; American, January, 5s. 4½d., all per ...
NCHESTER.—English wheat firm at last week's rates; ... unchanged. Flour low; movement in buyers' ... Indian corn a shade lower on the ... for Plate; new mixed American quoted at 5s. 8½d. ... for Plate; new mixed American quoted at 5s. 8½d. ... 9d for November shipment. Foreign barley un... English firm for best sorts. Both English and ... oats firm, unchanged. English beans and peas ... according to quality. Bran and offal scarce at ...

PRODUCE.

DE CRUSHED SUGAR.—Official report:—Fair busi... at firm prices to an occasional 1½d. advance Prime ... eport:—Good business done at an occasional 1½d. ...
DON PRODUCE.—Sugar—Home refined steady; fair ... German granulated steady, ready sold at 12s. 3d.; ... August, 12s. 6d. Beet unsettled; December sold at ... 9d.; May, 10s. 8½d. Cane firm. Coffee steady; ... ber sold at 26s.; May, 25s. 9d. Java tea sales ... Rice quiet. Jute weak; native firsts, November... er, sold at £16 15s. to £17, 10s. Hemp quiet, ... steady. Linseed oil, 20s. 4½d. to 20s. 10½d. Tur... 26s. 9d.
ON DEAD MEAT.—Beef firm: Scottish long sides, ... to 4s 1d., do. short sides 4s. 8d. to 5s.; English ... s. 8d. to 5s.; United States sides, 3s. 9d to 3s. ... to 3s. 10d.; do. Dappled sides, 4s. 2d. to 4s. 6d.; do. fore... merican hindquarters 4s. 2d. to 4s. 6d.; do. fore... 2s. 8d. to 2s. 10d. Mutton steady; Scottish ... 4s. 6d. to 4s. 10d.; ewes, 3s. 2d. to 3s. 6d.; Eng... shers, 4s. 2d. to 4s. 6d.; ewes, 3s. to 3s. 4d.
ON POTATOES.—Trade fair; Up-to-Dates, 55s. to ... Sharp's Express, 55s. to 60s.; British Queens, 55s. ... and Blacklands, 50s. to 55s. per ton.
ON HAY AND STRAW.—Trade quiet; best clover, ... inferior, 40s. to 76s.; specially picked hay, ... 65s. to 75s.; inferior, 55s. to 63s.; mixture ... 70s. to 80s.; and straw, 24s. to 30s. per load.
POOL PRODUCE SPOT.—No. 1, 16s. 7½d.; No. ... Bacon Cumberlands 56s. Butter—Danish ... Irish—tierces, 99s per cwt.; pails, 52s. Cheese, ... in—common, 7s. 4d. Hams, Manila, £23, 10s.; ... trette, 10s 3d. Tallow, Australian 35s. to 36s. ... Lagos £25, 17s. 6d.; Castor, Calcutta 2 13 52½. ... American 21 13. Turpentine, 27s. 6d. Cotton... 9d. ... 33s. 6d.
ORD WOOL.—The tone of the market is more ... In some quarters a fair amount of business has ... sected, and there have been many offers. If ... would accept bids below present level, a big ... business would undoubtedly be done, but there ... position to ... and prices are firm ... more inquiry from ... There is a good ... d.
BUTTER.—Best 104s.; second, 98s.; third, 93s.; ... 104s.; do., 100 boxes, 105s., fresh ... from 112s. to 100s.

CATTLE AND SHEEP.

PERMLINE.—Messrs Macdonald, Fraser, & ... the third annual sale for the season, when they ... home-grazed and Irish wintering and feeding ... 800 sheep, ambe... and milch cows. There ... ge attendance of buyers, and the prices of a fort... were well maintained. Two-year-old bullocks ... £14, 12s. 6d.; black-polled heifers, £11, 6s.; stirks, ...
RK, 1.10 p.m.—At Messrs Thorne's sale to-day sup... of 32 milk cows and 66 store cattle. Best ... cows sold from £14 to £18, 10s.; other ... heifers, £11 to £13; 10s.; cross bullocks, £10, ... 10s.; stirks, £6 to £8, 5s. Best calved cows ... recent currencies. There was a good inquiry ... locks and stirks, which brought prices favouring
L SALE AT HAWICK.—Messrs Andrew Oliver & ... held their special cattle sale at Hawick to-day ... horn, blue-grey, and Galloway stirks and two... les bulls and eild cows. There was a good ... customers, with a ready sale at prices similar ... a fortnight ago. Two-year-olds to £15. 5s.; ... 10s. cwd cows to £1... Messrs Harrison ... their closing special ... held in Lanark to-day in fine weather. ... cattle and 1000 sheep. Good demand; Gal... up to £12. 5s. Mule quiey; blue-grey ... holo, £13. 5s. ... do. and Wigtondale, £11. ... new two-year-olds, £13. 2s. 6d. ... Messrs ... at Portnahort ... & Co. ... held their annual special ... feeding and wintering sheep to-day, when ... and lambs were forward. There was ... of buyers, and a fair going trade was ... Crop lambs—Dawson, ... 20s.; Pow, ... 22s. Cross gim... d.; Kilmagad... 3s. Other ... Michie, Scot... 16s. 9d.; Douglie, 15s. ...
... Monday, and trade inactive; ... 6d. to 6½d.; bulls and ... 7½d. to 7¾d.; ewes and ... 7¼ to 7½d. per lb. Few pigs ... bacon pigs, 9s. 4d.; porkets, ... to 7s. 3d. per score lb.
... cattle were offered, and ... Heavy bulls, 2s. ... of sheep were not ... comment.

METALS.

GLASGOW IRON.—Close and strong, small business done ... cash; buyers, 48s. 5½d. cash, ... and ... 7d. three months; sellers, ... one month, 48s. 9d. three months. ... 1500 tons. ... Cleveland warrants steady, small business done at 48s ... 9d three months; buyers 48s. 5d cash, 48s. 7d. one ... months; sellers, 48s. 6d cash, ... 8½d three months. Turnover, ... one iron ... and idle; closing sellers, 59s. one ... Cumberland idle.
LONDON, 1.15 p.m.—Copper dearer; £60¾ to £60½ ... £61½ to £61 ... three months. Tin easier; £133⅝ to ... £133¾ three months. English lead, ... £135 to £134 ... £13 7-16; spelter, £19½ to £20. ... £13 4; foreign, 6d. cash, 7/16d. ... Manchester iron, 48s. 6d. cash, 47½d.

Two men named Charles Carter, married, and Ralph Shipley, were killed yesterday by a fall of the roof at Talke Colliery, North Staffordshire.

Gramophone.. 2	2	Lipton, Ltd... 26/	26/
James Nelson 22/	22/	Mexico Trams 140	138¼
Hudsons Bay. 35	35	Rio de Janeiro. 65¼	65⅜
Humber 10/	9/6	Mexic'n Light 74	70

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MINING SHARES.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND

Last Prices		Today's Prices	Last Prices		Today's Prices
1⅝	Assoc. Gld	1⅝	¾	Gt. Fingal	¾
8/9	Do. N. Blk	8/9	8½	Ivanhoe...	8½
17/6	Br. Br'k'n H	18/	8⅛	Kalgurli ..	9⅛
1 31-32	Broken Hill	2	14 6	Lake View	15/6
2⅛	Do. Bl. 10.	2⅛	3½	Mt. M'gn.	3½
12/6	Do. 14.....	13/	⅝	Oroya B.H.	⅝
2⅛	Do. North.	2⅝	1 9-32	S. of G'alip	1¾
3¾	Do. South.	3¾	1⅛	Talisman -	1⅛
1⅜	Con. N.Z..	25-32	8¾	Waihi Gold	8¾
6⅝	Gd. H'Shoe	6⅝	1	Waihi Grad	1⅛
27/	Gt. B'ldr..	27/	6	Zinc. Corp.	6/
2/3	Do. Pers..	8/6			

		1¾	G. Cst Aml 1⅜
11/9	Ashanti...	11/	7/6 Wassau ... 7/6
10/6	Broomassie	10/6	

COPPER AND MISCELLANEOUS.

9⅜	Anaconda..	9⅝	3⅝ Esperanza 3⅝
2 1-16	Rio Tin. Cop.	2⅛	4⅝ Gt. Cobar.. 4⅝
14	Camp Bird.	14/	33/6 Mt. Lyell.. 34/6
7⅛	Cape Cop..	7⅜	4⅞ Mysore.... 4⅞
6/3	Ch'mp Reef	6/	(7⅞ Rio Tinto.. 68⅜
12/	Dolcoath..	12/	1½ Siber Prop 1⅜
1⅛	El Oro.....	1⅛	2⅜ Sp'sky Cop 2⅜

MEXICAN.

El Oro.....	5⅝	.....	5⅝

TRANSVAAL GOLD MINES.

3 15-16	Apex.....	4	2 11-16 Langlagte. 2 11-16
9	Crown Reef	9	10¾ Mod'f'ntein 10 11-16
1¾	Durb'n R'd.	1¾	2 15-16 Nigel..... 2⅞
1 7-32	East Rand.	1 9-32	1 13-16 Randf'tein. 1⅞
1 5-16	E.R'nd Min	1⅛	6 15-16 Rand Mine 6⅞
15	Ferreira ...	15	9¾ Robinson.. 9⅝
2 13-16	Geduld	2 15-16	4 7-16 Dd. Deep.. 4⅜
1 15-16	Geldenhuis	1 15-16	21-32 S'm'r'k Jack 21-32
4¾	Do. Deep..	4⅞	2⅝ Trns Gd.M 2 21-32
3 5-16	Knights ...	3 5-16	3½ Vil. Mainr f 3¾

DIAMOND, LAND, EXPLORATION, &c.

1⅞	Ang. Fr. Ex	1 15-32	4¼ Jagsf'nte'n 4⅛
4 25-32	Con. Gold..	4 13-16	1⅛ N.V'l River 1⅛
13 15-16	De. Beers..	13 5-16	16/3 Oceana 16/6
1⅞	G. M. & Fin	1½	9⅛ Premier Df. 9¼
1 17-32	Goerz & Co.	1 17-32	3 3-32 S. A. G. Tr. 3⅛
1 3-32	H. E. Prop.	1⅛	2⅜ Tran'v'l C'n 2⅜
1 5-16	Johan. Inv.	1 5-16	3¾ Welged'cht 3¾

RHODESIANS.

17/9	Chartered..	17/9	1 7-32 Rh'desia Ex 1 7-32
7/6	Lomagunda	7/6	3 19-32 Tang'ny Ka 3⅝
12/	Nor. Cop...	12/	20/3 Zambesi Ex 20/6
1 19-32	Rh'sianBnk	1 19-32	3¼ Mt. Elliott 3 11-16

EDINBURGH.

Noon.—The tone of the market is steady, and prices in the railway departments are all higher. Commercial Bank at 89 is 10/ down, while National is bid for at 435, and Union at 31. South African Mines, notwithstanding the quietness of markets, keep very firm. Copper shares show buoyancy. Industrials keep steady, but are without feature.

AFTERNOON PRICES.

	To-day's Buyers.	To-day's Sellers.	Business Done.
Caledonian 4 p.c. Ga. An.			*109¼
Do. Def. Conv. Ordinary	23½	—21⅝	—
Great Western.....			122 *121⅞
Great Northern Railway D.			43 13-16
North British.....	31½	—31⅝	—..
N.B. Edin. and Glasgow Pf.			117¼
Canadian Pacific.....	180⅝	—180⅞	—
Grand Trunk of Canada..	29⅝	—20 11-16	20 11-16
Do. Third Preference....	49¾	—50	50¼ 49 11-16
Mexican.....	29	—29½	—
Atchison Com.....	93¼	—94	—
Erie.....	32 5-16	—32 11-16	—
Missouri, Kansas, & Texas	31 15-16	—32 1-16	—
Southern Pacific.....	111	—111¼	—
Union Pacific.....	175	—175⅛	93¾
Edin. Corp. 3 p.c. Red....			63
Midland Raily. Pf. Ord...			*417
Bank of Scotland.....			*480
British Linen Bank.....			—
Clydesdale Bank.....	27	—27¼	89 *7/8
Commercial Bank.....			—
National Bank.....	42		436
Life Assoc. of Scotland...	20½	—22	—
Commercial Union.....			16
National Guarantee.....	4¾	4 15-16	—
N.B. & Merc. Insur. Pf...	103¾	—104¼	*39 13-16 *⅞
P. & J. Bernard Pref....	7⅝	—8	—
Distillers' Co.....			14⅜
M'Ewan, Pref.....	9½	—9⅝	—
British Assets Trust.....	29/6	—30/	—
Brit. So. Africa (Char.)....	17/8	—17/9	17/9
Johannes. Con. Invest.....	23/ 4½	—23/7½	23/6
Melbourne Trust.....	5/9	—6/	—
Rever. Assoc. 3½ p.c. R.D.			90 *89¾
Scot. Amer. Invest.....	106/	—106/3	—
Scot. Amer. Mort. (£10 sh)	61/	—61/6	—
Invest. Mort. Security Deb			103½
U.S. Mort. Co. of Scot....			*100
Swan Land & Cattle.....			27
A. & J. Macnab Pref.....	15/6	—16/	—
Manchester Hippodrome....	5¼	—5⅝	—
Anderson's Polytechnic Pf.			19/10½
Jas. Brown Pref.....			10
Barry, Ostiere P'Pref.....	8⅛	—8¼	—
Thos. Bernard Pref.....	7⅝	—8	—
Bradford Dyers.....			20/6
J. & P. Coats.....	162/3	—163/9	—
Do., Ordinary.....	28/3	—28/9	50
English Sewing Cotton....	21 4½	—21 7½	—
Do., Cum. Pref.....	28/10½	—29/1½	—
Fine Cotton Spinners.....	23/	—23/3	—
Do., Pref.....	26/	—26/6	—
Lupton Limited.....	102/6	—103/3	—
Moss' Empires.....			79/
Do., Preference.....	19/3	—20/3	—
Redpath, Brown, Pref....	77/6	—80/	—
Thornton, Pref.....	20/	—20/3	—
And. Whyte, Pref.....	25/	—25/6	—
Fife Coal, Pref.....			24/9
Niddrie Coal.....			7 29-32
Steel Co. of Scotland.....	49	—49⅛	49
U.S. Steel Corp.....	36/3	—36/9	—
Vickers & Maxim.....			*27
Lochgelly Iron.....	11½	—12	—
Wemyss Coal, Pref.....	9¼	—9⅜	—
Anaconda Copper.....	41/8	—41/9	41/7½ 1/6
Arizona Copper.....			41/7½
Do., Deferred.....	39/6	—40/	40/
Rio Tinto.....	68¼	—68½	68¼
Mount Lyell.....	34/	—34/3	33/10½
Broken Hill Prop.....	39/6	—40/	—
Con. Gold of S. Africa..	95/3	—95/6	*96/3 6/6 6/3
			[5/6
			13 13-32
De Beers Deferred	13 5-16	—13 7-16	*85/9 5/6
East Rand Prop.....	84/3	—84/9	—
Randfontein Estate.....	36/6	—36/7½	47/1½
Broxburn Oil	89/3	—89/9	90/
Burmah Oil	89/3	—89/9	—
Vallambrosa Rubber.....	12/1½	—12/3	

UNLISTED MINES.

Estate Finance Corp—	8/
Modderfontein.....	10 21-32
Rigga Peak Develop.	11/1½

THE PARK SELLING PLATE of 200 sovs., second to receive 5 ovs. The Sandown Mile (one mile and 65 yards).

Mr R. Wootton's Japan, by Rackham—Peninsula, aged, 9st 13lb ..... W. Lea 1
Mr J. D. Cohen's Lucky Jap, 5 yrs, 7st 11lb .. Higgs 2
Mr T. W. Blenkiron's Ambition, aged, 9st ..... R. Dillon 3
Mr J. B. Joel's Bright Day, 4 yrs, 8st 7lb.. Wal. Griggs 0
Mr P. Nelke's Royal Sreidi, 4 yrs, 8st 7lb.. Maiden 0
Mr H. Scott's K.C.B., 4 yrs, 7st 13lb ..... Williams 0
Mr W. Singer's Dark Angel, 3 yrs, 8st ..... Trigg 0
Mr J. F. Hallick's Impulsive, 3 yrs, 7st 6lb..J. Evans 0
(Winner trained by the owner.)

The race started at 1.55.

Betting—5 to 1 each against Ambition and Japan; 9 to 2 against Lucky Jap, 5 to 1 against Royal Sreidi, 100 to 8 others.

Royal Sreidi led from Lucky Jap and Bright Day, with Ambition, K.C.B., and Japan next, and the Dark Angel colt last. So they ran to the straight, when Ambition became second and Japan third. At the distance Japan obtained an opening on the rails, and won by two lengths; a length and a half separated the second and third. Royal Sreidi was fourth, Dark Angel colt fifth, and Bright Day last.

Time, 1 min. 55 secs.

Japan was bought in for 155 gs.

THE HERSHAM TWO-YEAR-OLD SELLING PLATE of 100 sovs.

Mr J. [illegible] Aspirin Pharmacy, 8st 11lb ..... Maiden 3
Mr R. Monnet's Azov, 9st ..... Maiden 3
Major J. D. Edwards's Viscount, 9st ..... Lynham 0
Mr H. M. Hartigan's Waterman, 9st ..... Maher 0
Lord Marcham's Master, 9st ..... Higgs 0
Mr A. P. Cunliffe's Beauty Unadorned f, 8st 11lb..Dillon 0
Mr H. S. Goodson's Limner, 8st 11lb ..... Plant 0
Mr F. Hardy's Lester Reiff, 8st 11lb ..... Halsey 0
Mr F. Bassett's Cellaro II., 8st 4lb ..... Tutty 0
Lord Carnarvon's Florets, c, 8st 9lb ..... Wal. Griggs 0
Lord Howard's Neidr, 8st 9lb ..... A. Templeman 0
Lord Westbury's Knave of Hearts, 8st 6lb ..Wm. Griggs 0
(Winner trained by owner.)

Race started at 2.4.

Betting—3 to 1 against Wareham; 9 to 2 against Beauty Unadorned filly, 13 to 2 against Malster; 8 to 1 against Viscount; 10 to 1 each against Limner and Knave of Hearts; 100 to 7 others.

Neidr got badly away and Limner made the running from Captain Symons, Knave of Hearts, and Wareham, with Viscount, Malster, and Azov next, in front of Floreta colt and the Beauty Unadorned filly. After running half the journey Captain Symons drew to the front, followed by Knave of Hearts and Azov and won by a neck; a head between second and third. Knave of Hearts was fourth; Malster fifth; Limner next; Lester Reiff next, and Neidr last.

Time, 1 min. 40 4-5 secs.

Captain Symons was bought in for 350 gs.

THE SANDOWN THREE-YEAR-OLD STAKES of 1000 sovs.; second to receive 100 sovs., and the third 50 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

Mr B. Walker's Llangwm, by Missel Thrush—Lian garren Lass, 9st 7lb ..... Maher
Duke of Portland's Primer, 8st ..... Madden
(Winner trained by F. Hartigan.)

The race started at 2.36.
Betting—5 to 4 on Llangwm.
Time, 2 mins. 18 3-5 secs.

THIRSK MEETING.

THE SUTTON HANDICAP PLATE of 100 sovs.

Five furlongs, straight.

Mr C. B. L. Fernandes's Spring Seat, by Seaton—Spring time, 7st 5lb..... Fox
Mr E. Couch's Watcombe, 4 yrs, 7st 8lb....Anderson
Mr J. T. Whipp's Saucy John, 8st 9st.....Sadgrove
Mr H. Peel's Preman, 6 yrs, 8st 8lb..... Wheatley
Mr J. Milnthorpe's Rameldry, 4 yrs, 8st 4lb....Bullock
Mr G. G. Tod's Melpomene, 3 yrs, 7st 13lb..G. M'Call
Mr C. J. Martin's Isograph, 4 yrs, 7st 11lb....C. Jones
Mr J. Dent's Lucy II., 5 yrs, 7st 5lb..... Crisp
Mr R. Sherwood's Tacitan, 4 yrs, 7st..... Hobson
Mr J. Buchanan's Flying Thoughts, 3 yrs, 6st 13lb Keeble
Mr Vyner's Ellen Graeme, 3 yrs, 6st 12lb .....Langham
Mr Clayton's Belle of Mayfair, 3 yrs, 7st 3lb..Broadwood
Mr A. L. Robinson's Point of View, 3 yrs, 7st..Flanagan
Mr E. Burnes's Lady Clio, 4 yrs, 7st..... Ringstead
(Winner trained by Lake.)

The race started at 1.53.

Betting—5 to 1 each against Preman, Flying Thoughts and Lady Clio; 7 to 1 against Melpomene; 3 to 1 each against Saucy John and Watcombe; 10 to 1 each against Spring Seat, Ellen Graeme, and Lucy II.; 100 to 8 against Rameldry; 100 to 6 others.

Lucy II. jumped off in front of Saucy John, Isograph, Lady Clio, and Belle of Mayfair, with Spring Seat next, followed by Preman and Point of View, with Rameldry last. After being half way, Lady Clio went on, followed by Watcombe, Isograph, Belle of Mayfair, and Spring Seat. Inside the distance the last named challenged and won by three-quarters of a length; three lengths between second and third. Lady Clio was fourth; Flying Thoughts fifth, Ellen Graeme sixth, and Lucy II. last.

THE NORTH YORKSHIRE NURSERY HANDICAP PLATE of 100 sovs., for two-year-olds only. Five furlongs straight.

Mr H. Hartland's Silver Cherry, by Cherry Tree—Silver Hen, 8st 3lb ..... Fox
Mr J. C. Dyer's Mauve Patch, 8st 3lb..... Sadgrove
Mr Sol Joel's Samedi filly, 7st 3lb..... G. M'Call
Mr G. G. Tod's Blue Pill, 8st 3lb ..... Keeble
Mr J. Butters' Grey Coronet, 7st 12lb .... Williamson
Sir R. W. Griffith's Jack Horner, 8st ..... Wheatley
Mr Vyner's Phrair of Spain, 8st 11lb..... J. Anderson
Mr J. Barnes's Boodle's Baby, 7st 8lb .....Robinson
Mr C. O. Hall's Meffrey, 7st 12lb ..... Langham
Lord Londesdale's Tiny, 7st 6lb ..... M'Kay
Mr G. Gunter's Pendridge, 7st 5lb ..... Bissenden
Mr B. Riley's Brooklands, 7st 7lb ..... Crisp
Mr C. B. L. Fernandes' Kettlethorpe, 7st 7lb .....Crisp
Mr A. L. Robinson's Merry Meg, 7st 4lb .....Ringstead
Lord Howard's Chapel Bell, 6st 11lb ..... Watts.
(Winner trained by Walters.)

The race started at 2.22.

Betting—3 to 1 against Mauve Patch; 7 to 1 each against Jack Horner and Silver Cherry; 8 to 1 each against Blue Pill, Boodle's Baby, Samedi filly, and Merry Meg, 10 to 1 each against Grey Coronet and Brooklands, 100 to 6 others.

THE BALDERSBY SELLING PLATE.

Mr H. Clayton's Wiry Mac, by Galashiels—Uncle Mac Special Wire, 4 yrs, 7st 5lb ..... Keeble
Mr R. W. Collings's Onyxions, 3 yrs, 8st 3lb .....Fox
Mr D. H. Gibbs's Canticle, 5 yrs, 8st 3lb .....Bullock
Twelve ran.

SPORTSMAN OFFICIAL STARTING PRICES.

SANDOWN PARK.

Park Plate—Japan, 3 to 1 against.
Hersham Plate—General Symons, 100 to 7 against.
Three-year-old Stakes—Llangwm, 5 to 4 on.

THIRSK.

Sutton Handicap—Spring Seat, 10 to 1 against.
North Yorkshire Nursery—Silver Cherry, 7 to 2 against.
Baldersley Handicap—Wiry Mac, 5 to 2 against.

MANCHESTER BETTING—Thursday, 3 p.m.

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.—11 to 4 against Cocksure II; 100 to 12 against Poor Boy; 100 to 8 against Land League; 100 to 7 each against Monte Rosa and Lucius; 20 to 1 each against The Nun and Carrara; 25 to 1 against Silver Heeled; 33 to 1 each against Temeraire and Bushranger, taken as offered.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Cambridgeshire Stakes, Newmarket Pure Gem, at 2.0 p.m. yesterday.
Worcester engagements Morgendale.
Cheltenham and Sandown Park engagements—Captain Wood's horses.

SELECTIONS FOR SANDOWN PARK TO-MORROW.

Our Newmarket correspondent telegraphed this forenoon the following selections for to-morrow's races at Sandown Park:—

Selling Nursery—MY UNCLE.
Hook Maiden Plate—SEALED ORDERS.
Great Sapling Plate—ROMANY LASS.
Coombe Autumn Plate—FLY FISHER.

DEATH OF A BORDER EX-JOCKEY.

Mr Frank Park, whose death occurred at Hawick yesterday, after a few hours' illness, was at one time well known in the racing world. He was under the late Mr James Waugh at Newmarket for some time, and was for four years in Austria as first jockey with Count Festetics, and won several races. He took a great interest in outdoor sports, particularly football. For the last few years he has assisted his father, William Park, proprietor of Hat Moon Hotel. Deceased, who was thirty years of age, was married only a few weeks ago.

An exceptional cabbage growth is reported from the gardens of the Argyll and Buto Asylum, where three monsters have been cut. Taken together they turn the scale at 100 lbs., one weighing 35, another 33, and the smallest 32 lbs.

TELEPHONE No 2255
TELEGRAMS "DEVONIAN EDINBURGH"

3 DRUMSHEUGH GARDENS
EDINBURGH

25th October, 1908.

My dear Osler,

I was away yesterday and therefore could not get a letter written to you upon the result of the Rectorial Election. Your supporters made a splendid fight against the political odds, and came within 200 of victory. A very little transferance from Wyndham to yours would have made all the difference. I would like to congratulate you on the magic influence of your name, as I do not believe any other human being standing as an independent ~~character~~ Candidate could have shown anything like the same result. I have been wondering whether you would allow yourself to be put up next time as an independent conservative. If you did you would romp in.

Cunningham showed me the paper the other day, and I am exceedingly obliged by the kindness of your ^ Mf and him. I hope you are going to have a most pleasant winter in Paris.

University of Edinburgh

The Union
25th Oct 1908

Dear Professor Osler

We all got a surprise yesterday when the poll closed. Practically everyone of us reckoned that it lay between you & Mr Churchill, and that Mr Wyndham was out of the running as we had captured so many conservative votes. However, every effort was made during the Thursday & Friday before the polling day by the Conservative forces outside as well as inside to stake some of the Conservative Votes; and I am sorry to state that some dastardly weapons were used to effect the purpose. While the

[illegible] was in progress I went round the polling booths and persuaded a lot of the [illegible] voters (chosen you & Wyndham to [illegible]) back their votes and not cast them for Wyndham then as they might let in Churchill if Osler was leading towards the end of the polling hours.

Unfortunately Wyndham led by about 70 votes then and of course they cast for the top ~~of it~~ men of the two.

We are all deeply sorry that the campaign should have gone against us

I was deputed by the Committee to write you about the whole affair and to express our regret that we had failed to return you at the top of the poll.

I am receiving the writing of this on Wednesday the 28th as I fell

that I had understaten a
task Your
visit and letter have made
this much easier for me and
has cheered us all up. I
feel convinced now that you
have not underestimated the
difficulties we have had to
contend with.
The stone wall of political prej-
udice we had to face was
practically invulnerable
The law student for instance
is a clerk in an office in the
city, and is only seen in the
precincts of the University when
he comes up to and goes away
from the single class which
he takes each day. He has
no University Association whatever,
outside of the one mentioned, and
is under the personal influence
of his employer who is usually

~~a~~ a conservative. Needless to say therefore that out of nearly 200 votes cast in this faculty only 14 went to you.

A great number of the senior medicals (who were strong for you) were disfranchised owing to their having taken out all their classes extramurally and therefore had no university class-card to show to the polling officer along with their matriculation card.

We could not get motor cabs in Edinburgh to bring up ones to the poll in so we had to fall back on the horse cab - a wretched substitute.

On the other hand ~~the~~ a host of Conservatives & Liberals in the city put their private motors to the service of the Political candidate.

This is the dark side of the picture but there is a bright side too.

One of the traditions of a Rectorial here is that each party must

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must Struggle to raid and wreck if
ponible the Committee Rooms of
their opponents. That our
party would destroy this tradition,
by not taking rooms and fighting
like the political parties, was one
of the first & most strongly
pushed objections against us.
We did not hesitate to make capital
out of this allegation.
Within about a week from
the Start of the Campaign we
had entirely wrecked the Liberal
Rooms and left them uninhabitable.
We unscrewed all their doors and
took them down to the Osler fort
and made barricades of them.
So that when the Liberals came to
attack us they had to batter
down their own doors.

We had no furniture when we started the Campaign, but we had too much by the end of the week.

We had a lot of difficulty with the Conservative Rooms as the police would not allow any fighting about them owing to the value of the neighbouring property. Our fighting men had got dubbed by ~~them~~ our opponents as "the Physical Force Brigade" and the Conservatives argued our own by boasting amongst the Students that we were powerless to defeat them. Every effort we had made had been stopped by the Police and not by the Conservatives.

Our time came at last.

On the Thursday night before the poll the Conservatives held a Smoking Concert and came down to attack us afterwards.

We opened our outer gates to

them and let them in 84
the street right up to our rooms.
There was a lot of whooping &
yelling, but very little fighting
with them and I saw that the
remembrance of former fights
with the Blacks was sapping
their courage. I demanded
of their leaders that they should
give battle at once. They pled
that they had no ammunition,
I promptly offered them ammu-
nition out of our own rooms
At this the Sergeants of Police
laughed heartily. Then they
complained of having no battering
ram, and we offered them the
great 20 foot spar which we
had captured from the Liberals.
However they funked it and
cleared away. This was
annoying for our men & we
determined to burn the Police
if possible against them.
Inspector Carr - a great fighter -

and myself went out to
spy out the enemy and to
see what chance there was of
a night attack. We kept
30 men with us in the Osler
Garrison. Carr & I came
back having formulated a
plan of attack which was to
be put into execution between
two & three in the morning.
Not a man asked us for details
of the proposed scheme until
the hour arrived. Then we
put every man up to what he
had to do. At 2 o'clock
20 of us Stripped for fighting
left the Osler Garrison and crept
through the streets with ladders
axes Crowbars &c, towards
the Conservative Rooms. We
found that one of the shutters
of their window appeared to
be unfastened. Our ladders
were too short to reach it, but
we crept on to an adjoining

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house roof and from there clambered along a narrow ornamental ledge which ran beneath their windows. Ten of the men remains in the street below with overcoats stretched out to catch any of our men if they fell. We managed to put 9 men into their rooms, & by the night Guard awoke Terror of the fierceness of our onslaught overcame them & they capitulated. Just as our men were entering the window an Inspector arrived with about 30 or 40 policemen. He wanted to stop us, but I promised that if we made any disturbance or did anything which he dis-

approved & I would call off our men at once.
As I had kept my word to him in a former fight about a similar matter, he consented to allow us to go on.
During the next half hour, our men wrought their will. Every room was completely wrecked Chairs tables piano etc etc were reduced to matchwood. The whole of the place, inside and out was painted over with the legend "Vote for Osler." We then came away bearing some of the spoils of war which we deposited in the Osler Fort. Day & night since the campaign started, we have had a guard in our rooms We did not have beds in case the men were overpowered by Sleep as our opponents were. Our roof was our weak point

and many a night have we
sat out on the roofs all night
watching by turns.
We have had several small
attempts to catch us napping
and three great organised
attacks. In each of these our
opponents were beaten off with
many casualties. Luckily the
Infirmary was close at hand as
during each engagement a host of
minor wounds had to be dressed.
The motto of the Oblates before a
battle was "Bet hurt." Fortunately
none of us were detained long in
bed – the severest case being 10 days
We gained great prestige by the fact
that not a single man had entered
the Oblate Rooms without the consent
of the Oblates and that we had
utterly wiped out both the opposing
forces & swept their rooms.
Now I rather suspect that you will
think all this physical fighting on
your behalf rather puerile & that you
will also fail to see how it could

beneficially affect your candidature.
Well I can safely vouch from personal experience & observation that it did so. I know a great many Students who at first had no definite interest in ~~any~~ the candidates & that soon became proud to be enlisted in the victorious legions.

Personally I can never hope to be associated with a more virile & self sacrificing body of men and women than those who have borne the brunt of an unsuccessful battle in your behalf. They believed that you were their ideal Lord Rector & I was touched by the many ways they showed it. Class, Clubs, time, convenience, were sacrificed and even health life & limb were endangered for "the cause."

As an instance of their readiness at all times I will relate an incident ~~of~~ Friday evening before the poll we assembled for a grand smoking concert in the Cathedral Hotel. Every man turned out who could get except the dozen or so

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of fifty men left in charge of the "Garrison" (your Committee Rooms)
We had not been stated half an hour when a scout came flying in and told me that the Conservatives were gathering all their forces to attack our rooms while we were away.
I rode up and stated what was happening and asked for volunteers to defend the "Osler Garrison" They were arranged in "parties of five men" but this was to them a detail. They sprang to their feet, gave three ringing cheers for Professor Osler and within five minutes, our 200 men were speeding along the Street towards Drummond St. Court. They arrived none too soon

Scarcely were our men at their different posts when the Com[illegible] arrived armed with battering Rams axes Crowbars hammers ladders ochres etc etc In an hour and a half they sued for peace. By this time we had possession of all their axes crowbars ladders etc. Practically the only thing they took away that night was exhibited on their persons— the remains of 96 dozen of eggs which they had received from us during the preceding hour or half

This letter I am afraid is getting long & tedious therefore I shall try & bring it to a close

We are trying now to get the business side of things attended to. The balance is certainly going to be on the wrong side of the Ledger, but we are going to try everything we can to

cut down the Falconer accounts
I expect that We will have
an exact Statement of how
we stand in about a week.
Making up the reckoning is very
dry work, but we are proud
to have wrought things more econ
omically than our opponents.
All the "Delirio" that I have
and send you their very best
wishes and hope to see
& hear you at no distant
date

Pardon the length of this epistle
& please accept the heartfelt
thanks of your Committee
for all your kind & useful
Support during the conflict.

Yours respectfully
Jas Robertson
Rec Chairman
Committee
1870

Le Professeur Debierne
44 Ave d'Iena
Paris

~~Practice Society~~
34 Chalmers Street
26th October 1908

Dear Sir,

We have fought and failed. The blow has been the heavier because it was totally unexpected. That Winston Churchill might slip in by a very narrow majority over us was considered possible, but the general opinion, even among our opponents was that we would be found at the top of the poll with Churchill a good second. Wyndham a bad third.

was 1) Coler 2) Churchill 3) Wyndham. From 11 to 11.30 Churchill began a neck to neck race with us. Then the Wyndhamite Law voters arrived in motors - etc from their offices & this turned the scale. About 80 or 90 of our men in starts, wanting above all things to keep Churchill out, & seeing that Wyndham was forging ahead, transferred their vote to him. The election, in fact was only decided against us in the last quarter of an hour. One other thing militated strongly against us — almost the whole of final year medicine, 100 strong, were our rah-rah supporters: they came up to the booths with their matriculation card & an extra-mural class ticket (for class. & although

Even the Unionist leaders did not expect a victory.
Under these circumstances the result is somewhat of an enigma.
There seems to be no doubt that in Medicine & in Science Wyndham was in a considerable minority. The two surprises were a Unionist majority in efforts (the first time on record) & the abnormally large Liberal vote in the faculty of Medicine.
But Law gave Wyndham 174 votes as against our 14 — a factor which had been more or less left out of count by all parties, because Law men stand with few exceptions, entirely aloof from the University & seldom vote in these elections.
The poll was from 10 to 12 a.m & up to 11 a.m the position

these classes are recognised by the University as equivalent to University classes, these men were refused the right to vote.
Needless to say we feel the disappointment very keenly. I feel it especially for you whom we invited to stand in full confidence.
As for the campaign itself I think there is no doubt we had the best of it all through.
In the time-honoured fights we remained unbeaten to the last; not once did a Unionist or a Liberal set foot in our rooms, whereas we absolutely gutted theirs over & over again.
I understand Mr Stobie has been sending you the election

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

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SURPRISE ATTACK AT DAWN.

OSLERITES WRECK CONSERVATIVE PREMISES.

In the early hours of this morning a surprise attack was made by Professor Osler's supporters on the stronghold of the Conservatives in Lindsay Place. Leaving about twelve men on guard in Drummond Court, a band of thirty doughty warriors, headed by Mr Carr, captain of the "Physical Force Brigade," proceeded stealthily at 2 a.m. towards the Wyndhamites committee rooms. With the aid of a ladder they got on to the ledge which runs above the bookseller's shop over which the rooms are situated, and with some little difficulty managed to gain an entrance by means of one of the windows. About half-a-dozen sentinels had been left on the premises, and on entering the raiding party found them asleep. Without much difficulty the slumberers were made prisoners, and the work of destruction was commenced. The panels of the doors were smashed in, what remained of the window frames were demolished, and articles of furniture which were not taken away were also destroyed. The hose pipes, which have played no inconspicuous part in preceding fights, were cut and taken away, as well as several bags of soot and a ladder. Every reference to "Wyndham" was carefully obliterated by applications of green paint and "Vote for Osler" substituted. Having wreaked their vengeance, the Oslerites departed to Drummond Street highly delighted with the success of their enterprise.

This morning Mr Wyndham's followers were busily engaged in repairing the damage done to their premises. Its new "Vote for Osler" was replaced by huge streaks of white paint bearing the legend, "Wyndham for the Varsity." In view of the nearness of the election it is not expected that there will be any more disturbances, though all parties are still mounting guard over their ammunition and other property.

STUDENTS' QUIET EVENING

The proceedings in connection with Edinburgh University Rectorial election yesterday fell into a quieter channel. After the riot of the previous night each party seemed to have had quite enough fighting, and beyond a march through the streets on the part of the Conservatives there was little stir. A smoking concert under Conservative auspices took place in the Imperial Hotel, the gathering numbering about 300. Mr Gordon Grant was in the chair. Party songs were sung with great gusto, and the health of Mr Wyndham was pledged time and again. During the evening the meeting was addressed by Mr J. Avon Clyde, K.C., who said it was not so very long ago that a gentleman of the name of Mr Winston Churchill —(booing)—rode forth into the political arena for the purpose of joining the Conservatives or Liberals. (Laughter.) It was quite true that in the first instance he gave adhesion to the party to which they and he were proud to belong. (Applause.) Mr Churchill left it; thank God he could never return. (Applause.) Their opponents in the political arena of to-day were in the position Billy Osler was in; they did not know who they were, nor where they were. (Laughter.)

DISCRETION THE BETTER PART.

In the course of the proceedings it was intimated that there would be no official raid on the Osler premises. When ten o'clock came many of the students went home, but the majority made their way to the High Street and George IV. Bridge. Marching to the tune of "Glory, glory," they soon collected a large following, and at the headquarters in Lindsay Place there was an immense crowd. The halt there was only temporary, the march being continued to Drummond Street. Whatever the intentions of the supporters of Mr Wyndham may have been, they evidently had not reckoned with the police. No sooner had the students congregated in the vicinity of the Osler headquarters—probably maturing plans—than they were hustled on. Along with the crowd of expectant sightseers they were kept on the move by a strong body of men in blue. The Oslerite rooms are situated in a back court to which entry is gained by a broad pend, entrance from the street being by an iron gate. This was closed, and behind it the Oslerites were congregated. The redoubtable followers of the professor issued a challenge to their opponents to "come on and make a night of it!" but it was declined without thanks, and the truce continued.

SIR ACLAND HOOD'S EXPLANATION.

The University Conservative Association having written to Sir A. Acland Hood asking his motive for writing to Professor Osler suggesting his withdrawal, Sir Acland Hood has replied:

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"To Lethen, Conservative Association, University Union, Edinburgh. My reason for writing to Osler was that I regarded his candidature as prejudicial to our success, and as helping the obsolete cause of free imports. Hoon."

The position of the Conservatives is that this is sufficient to quash the "abominable imputations" of the Oslerites. The latter describe Sir A. Acland-Hood's reply as another delightful evasion. What the whole University wanted to know was who instigated Sir A. Ackland Hood's interference. The fact remained patent to all who know anything of political and electioneering work that no Chief Whip would have the impertinence to interfere in a local contest unless some one gave him the hint to do so.

The Liberals betook themselves to the Carlton Hotel, where an "At Home," under the auspices of the University Women's Liberal Association, was held. There was a company of between 300 and 400 students of both sexes, presided over by Mr J. G. Steuart. Mr Winston Churchill, whose health was toasted with great enthusiasm, wrote:—"I should regard it as a great pleasure and a very great honour to be associated with the students of Edinburgh. I shall attend the meetings of the University Court, and I shall use all the means in my power to promote the interests of the University and of its great medical school." The speakers were Mr T. B. Morison, K.C., and Mr J. Wales Cameron, the latter remarking that the candidature of Dr Osler was an attempt to Americanise the University.

A VETERAN OSLERITE.

"To the Editor of the "Evening Dispatch"]

Sir, Forty-three years ago I heard Thomas Carlyle say: "Sixty years ago I entered this city a lad from Dumfriesshire, and since that day I think I have achieved something when I find myself thus cheered by the third generation of living Scotsmen." His opponent was the afterwards great Earl of Beaconsfield, over whom he was elected by a crushing majority.

Those two men were intellectual giants, who have left us imperishable names, and their fitting successor is Dr Osler, one of the greatest, if not the greatest, medical authority since the days of Hippocrates.

Any comparison between him and either of his opponents is, as Hamlet put it, "Ossa to a wart."

I am, &c.

M.D.

"expectations," but things which were bought and sold in the open market, and things for which there was a price, surely came within the definition.

Mr SHERWELL (U., Huddersfield) sympathised to a large extent with the plea of the Opposition that if the principle of compensation was to be recognised in a statute, the basis of that compensation should be strictly fair and just. But when the term market value came to be extended to an endorsement of the Kennedy judgment, he found himself in serious disagreement. No method of compensation could be satisfactory which did not make a distinction between wholesale and retail profits. But his most serious objection to that judgment was that it recognised compensation for the enhanced value resulting from reduction in the trade itself. The present Bill did not get rid of that difficulty, and in the clause as it now stood every licence-holder would get compensation on the basis of the enhanced value. Indeed, the evil was actually intensified, because the present Bill accelerated the rate of reduction, and by so much accelerated the rate of enhanced value. In other words, compensation was being paid for enhanced value accruing from the action of the State. He hoped the Government would be able to find some proposal on which a uniform basis of assessment could be arrived at, which should form a fair basis for taxation as well as compensation.

Mr G. D. FABER (U., York) condemned the Government's scheme, which proposed to override the judgment pronounced by Mr Justice Kennedy, against which no appeal had ever been taken. Mr Justice Kennedy laid down three propositions which the Court ought to take into account in arriving at the amount of compensation. First, on the basis of ten years' purchase, on the brewers' profits by sale of beer and spirits: second, eighteen years' purchase on the rental of the house; third, a small sum for trade fixtures. Only the other day the present Lord Chief-Justice had expressed the opinion that that proposition was sound and incontrovertible. He could not understand how the Government could have arrived at such an inequitable basis.

Mr DICKINSON (L., St Pancras, W.) said if the assessment was properly raised there could be little doubt that the compensation under the scheme of the Bill would be fair. The only question they had to consider was whether or not the assessment would be properly raised. He thought the clause dealing with the assessment of London would have to be amended if they were to carry into effect the scheme of the Government whereby public-houses would be assessed at their full value in the future.

Mr YOUNGER (U., Ayr Burghs) said the whole point of the opponents of the Bill was that the scheme of compensation under Clause 10 was not a scheme which was in itself either just, fair, or equitable to the interests which were being dealt with, particularly having regard to the fact that the money to be provided for the compensation was to be provided by the licence-holders and not by the State. They had heard a great deal in that debate on the question of the under-assessment of public-houses. He protested against the suggestion that brewers were to blame for that. If there was a fault it lay entirely with Parliament, which had been lax in not seeing that their valuation laws for England were good. They had no trouble in Scotland in regard to assessments, which in the main had been for a long time past made by independent valuatorss from Somerset House. The valuations were accurately and fairly made, the system worked very well, and it was a puzzle to him why the same system had not been adopted in England. He assured the English members of that House that if they ever had the chance of discussing a Licensing Bill for Scotland, which he hoped they would not, they would not be able to say that the public-houses in that country were not assessed up to the full amount of their monopoly value. Was it the intention of the Government, in taking away these licences, merely to pay as compensation the monopoly value? If that was their intention he would ask the Government what would be the value of that monopoly if it were not for the money put into the house? There would be absolutely no value. The house only got its value from the fact that some person provided the capital on which to work. Therefore to take the monopoly value alone was quite inadequate, because they would be ignoring the question of goodwill on which the profits of the house depended. (Opposition cheers.)

Mr LUPTON (L., Lincolnshire, Sleaford) appealed to the Government to consider what the licence-holders desired, and to deal liberally with them, in order that when the matter was settled the licence-holders would not feel that they had been ill-used, and the Government would not feel that they had achieved merely a party triumph. (Hear, hear.) The best way to settle the difficulty would be to pay market value, and he urged that the Bill should be drafted so as not to create [illegible] between the counties. In the matter of party tactics, general politics—he would not say justice, because he could argue either way about that—(laughter)—and in general kindness, they ought to settle the matter. (Laughter.) The trade could rush any opposition, as was evident from the by-elections, so the Government ought to buy out the different licences at once. (Laughter.) All the trade wanted was to get their money back cheaply and if the Government acted with ordinary business prudence in getting the matter [illegible] the House would not [illegible]. He hoped the Government would place the Bill in their effect, and the [illegible] members would go home at Christmas [illegible] (Loud laughter.)

Sir E. CARSON (U., City of London) regretted that the honourable member, with whose views [illegible] on the question of vaccination (laughter) [illegible] opposition, had not thought it necessary to argue the question from the point of view of justice.

Mr RIDSDALE (L., Brighton) discussed the clause from the point of view of machinery, rather than from that of the basis of compensation, and pointed out that any man whose licence was suppressed during the first year would be compensated according to the term of the period still unexpired, so that he would get the highest value of compensation. If [illegible] through the series of years during the reduction period, they came to the man who was suppressed during the last of the fourteen years, and who got no compensation at all. That was obviously an impossible position, and it must have occurred to the Government that this suppression must be gradual. Because they had introduced a new principle into Clause 3. The main value was supposed in the last year not [illegible], and the man little better than [illegible] suppressed [illegible], who succeeded in getting over the fourteen years, had the advantage of the seven years' grace in which he had to make only the ordinary [illegible] allowance to a house. Surely that was not equitable treatment. He recommended that part of the scheme required to be remodelled.

Mr LAMBERTON (U., St George's, Hanover Square) pressed for an answer to the arguments against the clause. It was manifestly absurd that suppressed.

Mr A. CHAMBERLAIN (U., Worcestershire E.)—What will be the nature of the compensation [illegible]?

The UNDER SECRETARY for the HOME OFFICE—An additional number of years' purchase for those who are suppressed.

Mr CHAMBERLAIN—And to run during the subsequent seven years?

The UNDER SECRETARY for the HOME OFFICE—That does not arise at all. We are dealing with those houses which have been suppressed during the reduction period, and it is the compensation to those houses which we are now considering.

Mr CHAMBERLAIN—If I understand it aright, it amounts to this—A man who is suppressed at the beginning of the current period will be compensated as if his licence had fourteen years plus seven years to run. The man whose licence is taken away at the end of the fourteen years gets no compensation at all, or will he get his compensation for the seven years?

The UNDER SECRETARY for the HOME OFFICE—No licence will be taken away at the end of the fourteen years. The publican will get the amount of compensation in respect of what he loses. He will not only lose monopoly value of one period, but he will lose the prospective value of the other, and he would have to receive a sum in respect of that. With regard to the licensee's share of the compensation money, the hon. gentleman said that under the present law the compensation paid to the licence-holders or publicans was frequently most inadequate. This class of men had been most unfairly treated under the Act of 1904. The Government proposed that the sum payable to the licence-holder should be a separate charge on the compensation fund. What was assessed as being fair to the owner should be paid to the owner, and the Inland Revenue Commissioners would be required to assess separately the actual loss suffered by the licence-holder for the loss of his business. (Hear, hear.) In the Act of 1904 it was stated that in no case should the licence-holder receive less than one year's profit. The Government had determined to ask the Committee to insert words in the Bill to the effect that under no circumstances should the publican receive less than one year's profit on his business. (Opposition cheers.) A danger might arise that burdensome agreements might be required from the publicans contracting themselves out of the intentions of this clause. The Government should therefore insert words to provide that the tenant should receive compensation, any agreement to the contrary notwithstanding. With regard to the ante-1869 beer-houses, the Act of 1904 gave power to suppress these licences with compensation. That was true, but the right hon. gentleman required them to pay a compensation levy to protect themselves against a risk which he imposed, and which had never previously been run. (Ministerial cheers.) Full control would not be obtained over these houses until 1930, so that it would have taken 100 years to undo the error committed by Parliament in 1830. In alluding to pamphlets and statistics published to show how the Government's compensation proposals would work out, the Under Secretary condemned them as unreliable for three reasons—first, because no statement was made as to the method by which the present estimated value of the licence was arrived at; second, because these figures presumed that the compensation would be paid on the basis of the present Income-tax assessment, which, he said, was frequently much too low. The hon. member for Ayr Burghs, with his usual candour, had admitted that there were cases in which the present Income-tax valuation was unduly low.

Mr YOUNGER—I was careful to say in England, not in Scotland. (Laughter.)

The UNDER SECRETARY for the HOME OFFICE—This Bill applies only to England, and when it comes into operation, the assessments will gradually rise to their fair figure with a corresponding gain to the revenue. The third reason against the pamphlet figures was that they made no reference to the provision, "that in addition to the ordinary valuation basis of Schedule A, value of the House, such sums as the Commissioners of Inland Revenue think just shall be added to the value of the premises to the actual holder of the licence." Therefore, these pamphlets should be [illegible] in [illegible]. For all the reasons [illegible] given, the Government adhered to the clause as a reasonable and equitable solution of the problem with which it deals. (Ministerial cheers.)

Mr BOWLES (C., Lambeth, Norwood) said that under the Act of 1904 they at any rate got the genuine market value, and he had heard nothing to make him change his opinion that the method of the Government was unreal, unjust, and false. (Opposition cheers.)

Mr MOND (L., Chester) said that the whole of the figures put before the Committee by the Opposition omitted the consideration that they were not dealing with the present assessment, but with the future assessment. It lay in the hands of the publicans themselves to make their compensation higher by having themselves assessed at a higher figure.

The honourable gentleman was still speaking at five o'clock, when the debate was adjourned.

The House then rose.

QUESTIONS NOT ANSWERED ORALLY.

SMALL HOLDINGS IN ENGLAND.

Mr ROBERT HARCOURT (L., Montrose Burghs) asked the hon. member for South Somerset, as representing the President of the Board of Agriculture, if he would state the acreage of land acquired under the Small Holdings Act by each county in England and Wales separately.

Sir EDWARD STRACHEY—The following table gives the information for which my honourable friend asks:—

ENGLAND.

	Area acquired. Acres.		
Bedford	37[illegible]	Norfolk	1,212¾
Berks	1,2[illegible]¼	Northampton ...	408
Buckingham ...	[illegible]	Oxford	233
[illegible]	1,3[illegible]½	Peterborough, Soke of	115¼
Cheshire...	853	Rutland	25
Cornwall	186	Salop	[illegible]
Durham	[illegible]	Somerset	42
Essex	[illegible]¾	Suffolk, East ...	2[illegible]¼
Gloucester	[illegible]	Westmoreland ...	[illegible]
Hants	[illegible]¼	Wilts	403
Hertford	[illegible]	Worcester	125½
Huntingdon	514¾	York, East Riding...	288
Isle of Ely	[illegible]		
Isle of Wight ...	34[illegible]¼	Total	13,[illegible]¾
Kent	[illegible]½		
Lincoln, Holland	[illegible]		
Do., Kesteven	[illegible]½		
Do., Lindsey...	[illegible]		

WALES.

Anglesey...	[illegible]½	Radnor	[illegible]
Carmarthen	21½	Total	461½
Montgomery ...	56¾		
Total, England and Wales			13,471¼

THE RECTORIAL ELECTIONS.

STORMY SCENES IN EDINBURGH.

SIEGE LADDERS AND BATTERING RAMS.

Wild and weird scenes characterised the eve of the poll in Edinburgh. The Wyndham and Osler forces were again in conflict; but on this occasion the Wyndham men were the assailants. They evidently considered it a point of honour to return the visit of their opponents in the early hours of that morning, when the Oslerites caught the Wyndham garrison off their guard, and captured and wrecked their premises in Lindsay Place. The scene of battle accordingly was shifted to the Osler headquarters in Drummond Street, where for the greater part of the evening a scene was enacted which recalled in a vivid fashion sieges in the days of walled cities. Assailants and defenders were equally determined, and attacked and defended in large force. An element of a bizarre character was added in the fact that the conflict was carried through in darkness, lighted up occasionally with an improvised torch.

A FORMIDABLE PROCESSION.

The attack was meant to be a surprise one. The Wyndham physical force party, several hundreds strong, suddenly appeared in the vicinity of Drummond Street, walking in procession, and accompanied by a large crowd of the public. They were a picturesque and formidable company. Elaborate arrangements had been made for the siege. At the head of the procession were carried three massive and imposing ladders, specially constructed for the purpose. They were formed of heavy battens of timber, the steps broad and strong, so as to afford foothold for two or three abreast. Another conspicuous object was a huge axe of a size unknown to the ordinary uses of domesticity or industry; battering rams were also carried. The members of the procession were appropriately equipped as to apparel. Some of them wore overalls; others had coats turned inside out; others wore jerseys, with cloth hats turned down so as to protect the eyes. They marched rapidly up Drummond Street, met with no obstacle at the entrance to the quadrangle where the Osler rooms are, and drew up in front of them to find that they were expected, and that the garrison were prepared for them.

A STRANGE SCENE.

The contest that then began, and which was carried on with unrelaxing vigour to near midnight, was waged under extraordinary conditions. The premises which formed the object of the attack are situated in the centre of a wide quadrangle, bounded by tall tenements of dwelling-houses. The rooms themselves are a portion of an inner two-storey square of buildings, one side opened up by the roadway giving access from the street. The main attack was delivered from the inside of this inner square. On all sides rose the tall buildings, presenting a broken sky-line of gables and chimneys, and with rows of lighted windows, at which the occupants were seen clearly outlined against the light coming from within. The scene suggested some Roman amphitheatre on a gigantic scale; but by a reversal of the usual theatrical conditions, the centre of interest was in darkness, and the only light came from the stances of the spectators. The [illegible] attacking party and non-combatant students, the general public being kept not only outside the quadrangle, but also being denied access to the adjoining street.

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MOUNTED POLICE.

Very little of the fray was seen by the public. A large crowd gathered at either end of Drummond Street; but they were kept back by the police, by whom special arrangements had been made to maintain order outside the area of the conflict. Lines of policemen were drawn up, at the ends of the street, while six mounted constables were riding up and down South Bridge Street, so that any disturbance could be dealt with promptly. Beds for wounded were arriving, and one or two who had suffered had to be attended to on the scene. One of the casualties was a broken finger. The case was attended to, and at a later stage the doctor who had attended it was seen participating in the fray. A truce was called about midnight, to allow one of the defending party, who had been hurt on the eye, to be removed by means of a step-ladder. It was difficult to see in the darkness what was taking place; but after a few moments the deep voice of one of the leaders gave the order to "continue," and the din of the conflict was resumed. As a result of the attacking party receiving a hose-pipe of water from the Liberals, who learned of the scene of their evening concert in the interval, what began as a mock battle became a combat in earnest. About eleven o'clock a truce was declared, and the attacking force withdrew, and accompanied by some of the defenders proceeded to their own rooms in Lindsay Place.

ARREST OF STUDENTS.

In the course of the evening three students were arrested for disorderly conduct in Cockburn Street, Nicolson Square, and Lindsay Place. It is stated that they refused to desist after being warned several times by the police.

THE RESULT.

It would appear that in the course of the [illegible] it, signalised the completion of the restoration, and defiance to all and sundry.

THE POLLING ARRANGEMENTS.

Arrangements for the polling are complete. The polling-places, which are class-rooms in the Old University, will be open from ten o'clock this morning until noon, and the result will be declared by Principal Sir William Turner about half-past twelve o'clock. Law students will record their votes in class-rooms in the basement, while all others will vote in nine different rooms, allocated according to the number of the students' matriculation tickets. Warned by previous experiences, the University authorities have taken precautions to minimise damage as much as possible. The site of the Brewster Statue, the scene of many a conflict, has been boarded up, while the fountain in the quadrangle, another famous rallying spot, has been protected by a covering. Upon it the students have already displayed their powers of decoration.

EDINBURGH STUDENTS IN THE POLICE COURT.

Considerable time was occupied at the Edinburgh City Police Court yesterday with the proceedings in connection with the Rectorial election disturbance at Lindsay Place on Wednesday night. Hugh Morris, the first student called, pleaded not guilty to a charge of assaulting a constable in the execution of his duty by striking him on the face and knocking off his helmet, whereby it was destroyed. Mr Howard Smith, solicitor, conducted the defence. In evidence for the prosecution, it was stated that on the night in question a great crowd were attempting to force their way into the Conservative rooms at Lindsay Place. The constable who was said to have been assaulted said he was standing at the top of Chambers Street when accused struck him. His helmet was knocked off by the force of the blow, and he lost it. He took hold of accused as soon as he was struck, and conveyed him to the Police Office. Corroborative statements were given. The constable denied striking Morris. For the defence, it was stated that Morris was quiet and undemonstrative. He did not strike the constable, but the constable struck him. One witness said the constable in question charged the crowd, and banged them about. Bailie Inches deferred judgment until to-day. In the case of the other student, Leslie Armstrong, who was charged with disorderly behaviour, a fine of £2, with the alternative of thirty days' imprisonment, was imposed.

GLASGOW.

MESSAGES FROM MR BALFOUR AND LORD CURZON.

THERE was some excitement at Gilmorehill yesterday on the eve of the poll, but the present Rectorial election is generally voted the quietest ever known. Three years ago the rival factions of students indulged in frequent fights, and the alternate wrecking of Unionist and Radical committee-rooms was a favourite form of amusement. At the beginning of the present contest the Unionists were able to secure premises, but the Radicals were less fortunate, and in the circumstances committee-rooms were dispensed with altogether. This was a severe blow to the more boisterous members of the rival parties, who were thus deprived of outlets for exhibiting their primitive instincts for fighting and pillaging, but it was welcomed by the peace-loving ratepayers of the neighbourhood, who lost much sleep during the last Rectorial riots. The candidates in the present election are Lord Curzon, Mr Lloyd-George, and Mr Keir Hardie. Numerous meetings have been held by the respective parties, and there has, as usual, been a plentiful supply of election literature. Yesterday the last issues of the party magazines were distributed. In the Unionist organ, *The Lord Rector*, were included a telegram from Mr Balfour and a letter from Lord Curzon. Mr Balfour's message was as follows:—

"I sincerely trust that the efforts of the Conservative Club will meet with signal success, and that the University will have the high honour of electing as Lord Rector so distinguished a statesman as Lord Curzon of Kedleston.

"ARTHUR JAMES BALFOUR."

The letter from Lord Curzon, which was addressed to the secretary of the Conservative Club, was in the following terms:—

"DEAR MR MATHAMS,—I have just had a letter from Lord Lamington saying that a story has been spread abroad that I am opposed to higher education of women, and that this may be prejudicial to my candidature unless denied. So absurdly untrue is it, that in my scheme of reform for Oxford I am going to propose that degrees (and not merely examinations) shall be open to women on exactly the same basis as to men. It is probably too late to catch up this particular fabrication, but in view of Lord Lamington's letter I think that I ought to write.—Yours very truly,

"CURZON."

The Radicals issued the last edition of *The Four Nations*, while the supporters of Mr Keir Hardie published the last number of *The [illegible]*. Polling opens to-day at nine o'clock, and closes at one o'clock. The votes will be counted immediately after the close of the poll, and it is expected that the result will be declared about two o'clock. The customary torchlight procession will be held in the evening.

MR CLELAND, M.P., IN THE STUDENTS' UNION.

Mr J. W. Cleland, M.P. for the Bridgeton Division of Glasgow, addressed a meeting in the Students' Union yesterday afternoon in support of Mr Lloyd-George's candidature. He said it was always an unfortunate thing when the progressive forces were split up, however small the division might be. He appealed to all in the University who cared for the common cause of the people, and were against all those vested privileges and monopolies which the Tory party stood upon, and which were their sole stock-in-trade, to sink their differences and vote for the Chancellor of the Exchequer. They were [illegible] on the road to social reform, and [illegible] through the next session or two they would face it successfully, with the help of those growing up in the Universities to be drivers [illegible] in public life, speaking of Mr Balfour's [illegible] policy, Mr Cleland said it was [illegible] that there should be a self-contained State [illegible] the history of the world there had only been two [illegible] mentioned — Noah's Ark and Tibet. [illegible] In regard to the first, those who [illegible] it quitted it on the first opportunity; [illegible] to regard to the latter, the last Tory Government went to war with it to make it engage its

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NEW LORD RECTORS.

DEFEAT OF TWO CABINET MINISTERS.

[BY SPECIAL WIRE.]

LONDON, Sunday, Oct. 25.

Two members of the Cabinet were defeated yesterday in contests for the Lord Rectorship of Scottish Universities.

At Edinburgh Mr. George Wyndham defeated Mr. Churchill by a majority of ninety-nine votes, in spite of the presence of an independent candidate, Professor Osler, of Oxford, who received the bulk of the medical students' votes.

The result in Glasgow was still closer, Lord Curzon's majority over Mr. Lloyd-George being twelve. There was a third candidate here also, Mr. Keir Hardie being the candidate of the Socialist element amongst the undergraduates.

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Principal MacAlister then appeared, and declared that if the doors were not allowed to be free he would declare the election null and void.

The voting was then allowed to proceed without undue interference.

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"Fairplay" reports the following:—

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BALLINTRA.—The monthly fair was held on Saturday last in favourable weather. There was a large supply of stock of a good class and in good condition. Quotations:—Best beef, 52s to 56s; inferior and second classes, 43s to 48s per cwt.; mutton, 5½d to 6½d per lb.; best young springers noted to calve next month and guaranteed sound, £15 10s to £17; second-class, £11 15s to £13 12s; inferior, £8 to £11; three-year-old heifers and strippers, £5 to £7; two-year-olds, £8 10s to £10 5s; six-months bullocks in forward condition, £11 10s to £14 15s

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Fight in the Quadrangle.

VICTORY FOR LORD CURZON IN GLASGOW.

Saturday saw the culmination of the Edinburgh rectorial election hostilities in a great fight in the quadrangle of the old University. Even the unprecedented exertions of the campaign had not quenched the ardour of the students, and shortly after ten o'clock, when the polling booths opened, the quadrangle was a seething mass of combatants. The election this year being in the nature of a three-ball match, the situation was rather complicated, and so fiercely did the combat rage that the three parties seemed likely at one time to obliterate each other. It was soon impossible to distinguish which was which on account of the storm of ochre, soot, and various other coloured materials. Who did the voting did not seem quite clear, but doubtless many students who came to vote remained to fight. After the first organised rushes all three wings went into action simultaneously, the fight raging most furiously, as usual, at the steps leading to the Brewster statue, which had been boarded up, the protection acting as an excellent advertisement site for the Churchillites. Previous to opening hostilities Mr. Churchill's legion took a strong position at the top of the steps, and an electioneering variant of "Twilight" was the first choral contribution. Advancing at the double, the Oslerites (the Independents) precipitated themselves against the serried front of the Ministerial party, and a fight ensued, which was of the most violent description. Exhausting their ammunition, the combatants rolled down the steps in each other's arms, and hurled opponents down on the merciless pebbles of the quadrangle, while there seemed sufficient raw material in the shape of ochre and soot flying about to provide half a dozen oculists with occupation. By this time the outer man of the students was a picturesque blend, which would have left Joseph's coat completely in the shade for variety. Not that there would have been much financial loss, for most of the combatants were in the most modest outfits. Not a few had donned waterproofs, many wore "mauling caps" in the shape of handkerchiefs, while coats turned inside out—honourable trophies for parental hall afterwards no doubt—were a favourite device. Ever and anon from the dusty struggling figures would rise a howl of triumph, a chorus or a shout of defiance—indisputable proof that studentdom was enjoying itself in its own strenuous and exceedingly grimy fashion. All morning the fight raged with an occasional lull, and seldom were the sides of the quadrangle unoccupied by hundreds of spectators. The women's movement has not sufficiently advanced yet to allow of lady students taking an active hand in hostilities. Cabinet Ministers' meetings of course excepted—and so the ladies contended themselves by looking on. Of casualties among the combatants there were marvellously few, though the handling at times was far from gentle. Now and again, however, a student would be put hors de combat and carried off the field. As the forenoon advanced the Oslerites combined with the Wyndham faction, and after a fierce encounter dislodged the Liberals. Somewhat of a sensation was caused when a party of the Oslerites procured a ladder and placed it against the wall upon which the Churchill placards were placed. Amidst a storm of missiles one of the party mounted to the top and proceeded to obliterate the notices. Irritated by this success, the Churchill supporters made a flank movement to obtain possession of the ladder, which in the ensuing struggle was smashed to pieces.

At noon the clang of the College bell announced the cessation of hostilities, and there were rounds of cheering for the different candidates. Rallying into their separate units, the students then raced round the quadrangle, each party carrying its hero shoulder high. Between twelve and one o'clock the poll was declared as follows:—

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Majority for Mr. Wyndham .	99

When the result was announced from the the balcony in front of the Senate Hall the supporters of Mr. Wyndham gave vent to their delight in a wild shout, and, forming a procession, they marched to the Conservative Club in Princes Street.

The usual procession took place at night, and the proceedings connected therewith were of a very lively, but comparatively orderly, character.

The Liberals, it is understood, have made a protest and demanded a repoll on the ground that Mr. Wyndham has not been re-elected by a clear majority. Their contention is that Professor Osler should be struck off, and a second poll taken as between Mr. Wyndham and Mr. Churchill. It may be pointed out that in certain circumstances in connection with certain boards in making an appointment the method adopted is to strike off the last candidate until the vote is reduced to two, when the gentleman with the majority gets the appointment. It is not so, however, in regard to Parliamentary elections, where the winning candidate may find himself elected with only a little more than half of what the other two candidates polled.

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Mr. Keir Hardie (Socialist).....	122
Majority for Lord Curzon	12

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The polling at Glasgow was carried out by "nations," the nationality of students being divided into four divisions. It was found that Lord Curzon and Mr. Lloyd George had each succeeded in securing a majority in two nations. Accordingly the result of the election fell to be decided by votes. As the official figures show Lord Curzon was elected over Mr. Lloyd George by twelve votes only. The lady students in Queen Margaret's College voted Liberal. At the close they sent Mr. Lloyd George a telegram saying, "The women students chose you." The voting was carried through in the usual boisterous fashion, the students pelting their opponents with pease meal. The Liberals took possession of the booth doors, and would only permit Liberals to record their votes. The Conservatives then marshalled their forces, and after a stiff fight secured possession of the doors. Thereafter Principal Macalister said if doors were to be blocked he would declare the election null and void. Under this threat both sides permitted the polling to go on. Mr. Keir Hardie made comparatively a poor show, yet his figures are suggestive of the growth of Socialist doctrine in University circles.

Professor Osler, running as an "Independent" at Edinburgh, made a much better show than did the member for Merthyr Tydvil at Glasgow. His candidature, which was non-political, had strong support among Colonial and medical electors, and, as will be seen, he ran the Conservative and the Liberal very close.

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Mr. Keir Hardie (Soc.)	122
Conservative majority over Liberal	12

Polling, as in former years, was carried out in nations, the nationality of students being divided into four. When the votes were counted it was found that Lord Curzon and Mr. Lloyd George had each secured a majority in two nations. Accordingly the election rested on the aggregate votes polled, which showed a majority of twelve for Lord Curzon. The retiring Lord Rector was Mr. Asquith. The polling was carried on amid boisterous pease meal fighting. At the outset the Liberals blocked the doors, and would only permit their own partisans to record their vote. The Conservatives stormed the door, and after a determined fight they captured the door and prevented the Liberals voting. Principal Macalister appeared and declared that if the doors were not allowed to be free he would declare the election null and void. Voting was then allowed to proceed without undue interference. The students after the election drove down the town and pelted all and sundry with pease meal.

Mr. Asquith and Sir Edward Carson, K.C., were nominated on Saturday morning for the Lord Rectorship of Aberdeen University. Polling will take place this week.

Extracts from "CANADA," Saturday, Oct. 31st

With the Compliments of the Editor.

The illustrated London weekly, "CANADA," *says* :—

The policy of the Dominion Government in restricting immigration from the great English cities (where there are many charitable agencies, nearly all of which have treated Canada as a dumping-place) has had excellent results. Little or no complaint is heard from the officials on the spot of the quality of British immigration which has flowed into the Canadian West this year, and we have the word of Mr. Bruce Walker, who is in charge of the distributing organisation at Winnipeg, for saying that this year's influx from England has been just what Canada requires. Nation-builders must pay as much attention to the quality as to the quantity of their material, and it is altogether unreasonable to blame the Canadian Immigration Department for refusing to take over England's unemployables, who are not "bricks" in any sense of the term, least of all in a complimentary sense.

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The illustrated London weekly, "CANADA," *says* :—

The United States has been largely built up out of Great Britain's superfluous population. But when did the American immigration authorities ever spend an official cent on the British emigrant in distress? How much does Australia, does South Africa, does New Zealand spend in this way? The truth is that the Canadian Immigration Department deals more humanely with the newcomer because the officials employed are human beings, not departmental mechanisms of the two-to-four pigeon-hole-filling type. Also, they are allowed, within certain limits, to act on their own initiative. It would be interesting to know how much of their own money some of these men spend on their work.

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The illustrated London weekly, "CANADA," *says* :—

As Canada grows in prosperity and shows herself more fitted to take her place among the nations of the world, so it becomes increasingly important that her commercial interests abroad should be adequately watched and looked after. The matter is obviously of great importance, and the question naturally arises as to whether Canada is adequately represented by the British Consular Service. . . . When we remember how admirable is the United States Consular system, and how carefully its representatives are selected, we understand how, in the keen competition for the world's trade, Canada is handicapped. Has not the time arrived for Canada to have her own commercial representative? If she is to hold her own among other nations, she must either look after herself or receive assurance that the British representative is capable of understanding her interests.

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The illustrated London weekly, "CANADA," *says* :—

Evidence is accumulating as to the improving trade conditions in Canada. In addition to the opinions of various bankers and the presidents of the two principal railways, already given in these columns, we learn from the Toronto correspondent of an important agency closely identified with the Dominion, that all the signs indicate a steady improvement in business in Canada. We are told that the Canadian North-West harvest is turning out proportionately much better than that of the United States. Its effect is shown in the increased earnings on the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Canadian Northern Railway. The explanation of the non-participation by the Grand Trunk system in the recovery which has set in is not that the Eastern part of the country is lagging behind the West so much as that there is a lack of through traffic from Chicago to the seaboard. Actually the tonnage movement in Ontario is better than it was at the same period of 1907, and it is the drawback to which we have alluded that has been the main factor in the recent declines. Bank clearings, as well as railway traffics, continue to reflect the better conditions, those for the latest week for which we have data showing a gain over the same week of last year of $9,364,642, or equal to more than 10 per cent. of the aggregate. Winnipeg continues to figure prominently in this expansion, being responsible for no less than $4,247,277 out of the total increase for the week mentioned, or 38.4 per cent. ahead of the corresponding period of 1907.

In an amusing article on "Strange Meetings on the Prairie," in the illustrated London weekly, "CANADA," *the following story is told* :—

We did not stop between Saskatoon and Edmonton, so there was only the briefest opportunity for the Chicago man to discover the quality of the newer citizen who hasn't yet acquired an automobile. An exploration of what the sage of the party called the "heartsomest city of Canada West," plus a trip through opulent farms to the Sturgeon River, left them scarcely time enough for lunch and one or two purchases. "Hiram Greene, walking with me down Jasper Aveune, ran plumb against a Freemonter—Freemont, Ohio, gave Hiram his first peep of the world he is still conquering with the mightiest weapon known to man—beside whom he had dangled heels in the public school, and whom he had not seen since their adolescent days. The Freemonter's story was brief, bright, and brotherly. "Made any money?" said he to Hiram. "I should say so. Come round and see my place—ten thousand dollars' worth of it, and all paid for. Jake is with me; and, say, I wish you'd see brother Bob when you go back, and tell him to come here, right away. He thinks I'm kiddin' him when I write about this country; but he'll believe you when you tell him that you've seen me and Jake and the place. Will you go see him, now?" "You remind me of Dives, with a difference," said Hiram. "Who in helter-skelter is Dives?" asked the Freemonter. "Does he come from around home, or did you find some blamed fool that was no good in the States, and thought somebody else ought to coin money for him up here?" "Dives is dead," ventured Hiram. "Oh, is he? Then I guess he never got away from Ohio. That's the difference between him and me. Say, Hiram, you was always pretty good at riddles. What's the difference between a Freemonter in Edmonton and Dives in—where do you say that fellow is?" "Frank," said Hiram; "Frank, I'm sorry to see that much money-making has made you forget some of your American education. Dives was dead before you came to Edmonton. He found himself in a hot, hot country, and he begged a former acquaintance, whom he chanced to see while in that country, for pity's sake, to see his brothers, and tell them to make sure of going to a cooler climate. The difference between you and Dives is that you want your brother to join you in the cooler climate." "You bet I do," said Frank. "I suppose Dives thought Canada was freezin' like hell all the time, and so went too far south because he didn't know the first good thing about the north. The north for mine. Tell 'em that in Ohio, and warn 'em about Dives. But first come round to my place."

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The illustrated London weekly, "CANADA," *says* :—

All Canadians will regret to hear of Professor William Osler's defeat in the contest for the Rectorship of Edinburgh University. Dr. Osler stood as an independent candidate, and when we consider that these rectorial elections at the Scottish universities always resolve themselves into political contests, we think he did very well—much better than could be expected. The result of the voting was as follows:—Right Hon. George Wyndham, Conservative, 826; Right. Hon. Winston Churchill, Liberal, 727; Professor William Osler, Independent, 614. We think it may safely be said that Professor Osler polled the bulk of the intellect of the university, the men who think that the Rector of a University should be a scholar first and a politician afterwards. Professor Osler is justly regarded as one of Canada's most eminent sons. He is a man of wide culture and learning. . . . Among his many distinctions is that of being F.R.S. It seems a pity that Edinburgh should reject such a man. Politics apart, there is no doubt that the University of the Scottish Athens would be proud to have such a distinguished scientist as Rector.

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The illustrated London weekly, "CANADA," *says* :—

Curiously enough, while Lord Milner delivered a message on Imperialism in the West, Professor Mercel Dubois, of the Sorbonne, has done much the same in the East. In a lecture delivered in the Laval University, Montreal, he paid a tribute to the British wisdom in maintaining a great Navy, which caused her indisputable superiority in the nineteenth century. Canada will have to develop her maritime power if she is to be mistress of her destiny. A country without a navy is like a bird without wings.

literature so that you can judge of that side of our activities – for which I myself was solely responsible – for yourself.

In many ways we were assailed by persistent bad luck. Our cartoonist fell dangerously ill towards the middle of the campaign, the man who was to have been editor of our publications was laid up the whole time; our President, Mr Robertson was, as you know, injured in one of the fights & condemned

great political parties in the State, and made very unscrupulous use of these resources.

Of one thing however, you may be assured, that should you ever come up to Edinburgh the University would give you such a reception as is accorded to few even of her most popular Lord Rectors.

I am, with keen regret that success has not crowned our efforts,

Yours very sincerely

J. H. Dornton Fraser

P.S. I never received either the drawing or the photographs.

to inactivity during the
crucial part of the campaign.
Mrs Fellowbrice - President,
Mr Sparent & the Assistant
Secretary (leader of our
"Physical Force Brigade")
Mr Carr were also
temporally disabled.
Moreover the Scottish press
was unanimously against
us — it assailed us in its
leader columns & gave
preferential treatment to
reports of our opponents'
meetings.
Our opponents, of course,
had at their back the
money, influence & whole
machinery of the two

great political parties in the State, and

University of Edinburgh

Oct 27th 08

My dear Osler

I am sorry that we are not going to have you for our Lord Rector but the boys made a right good fight for you and had the election been postponed for another week or so

tive it would have
pose I believe in your
favour. When political
feeling ran so high
— & I have never seen
it run higher in the
University — it was
a great feather in your
cap to have secured
so large a following.

In a University

e election are should
en never indulge in
ial forecasts. You see how
h wrong I was in regard
n to Wyndham and
Churchill. Everyone was
surprised & to the present
moment I can hardly
d believe the result.

I hear you are
off as a flying [illegible]

of absence. What a
lucky fellow you are!

Ever truly yours
A. Cunningham

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY UNION

30/10/08

Dear Sir,

I am much grieving a few lines to express my sorrow at the result of last week's election. We did all we could, but the strength of the political parties round us at the start of our campaign proved stronger, more than we were able to overturn. Many of the best-known men in the University are officials in the political associations, (as I was for the last two years myself), and this gave the political parties a great advantage. We lost a large part of our "Conservative" supporters in the earlier part of the

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Copy of Telegram from Mr George Wyndham to Gordon Grant, President E.U.C.A.

University Union,
Edinburgh.

Should the undergraduates of Edinburgh University do me the honour of electing me to the office of Lord Rector I shall consider myself bound to attend any meeting of the Court at which matters of particular importance to students will be discussed, unless prevented by political duties of primary importance. I do not anticipate that these claims will clash. I shall also attend meetings of the University Committee of the Privy Council when Edinburgh ordinances come up for approval. I have always understood the office of Lord Rector to be the constitutional safeguard of the students' rights and interests. I shall regard it as not only a duty but a pleasure to make that safeguard a reality.

George Wyndham,
35 Park Lane.

RECTORIAL REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE.

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SMOKER

WILL BE HELD ON

THURSDAY

IN THE

CROWN HOTEL, Lothian Street,

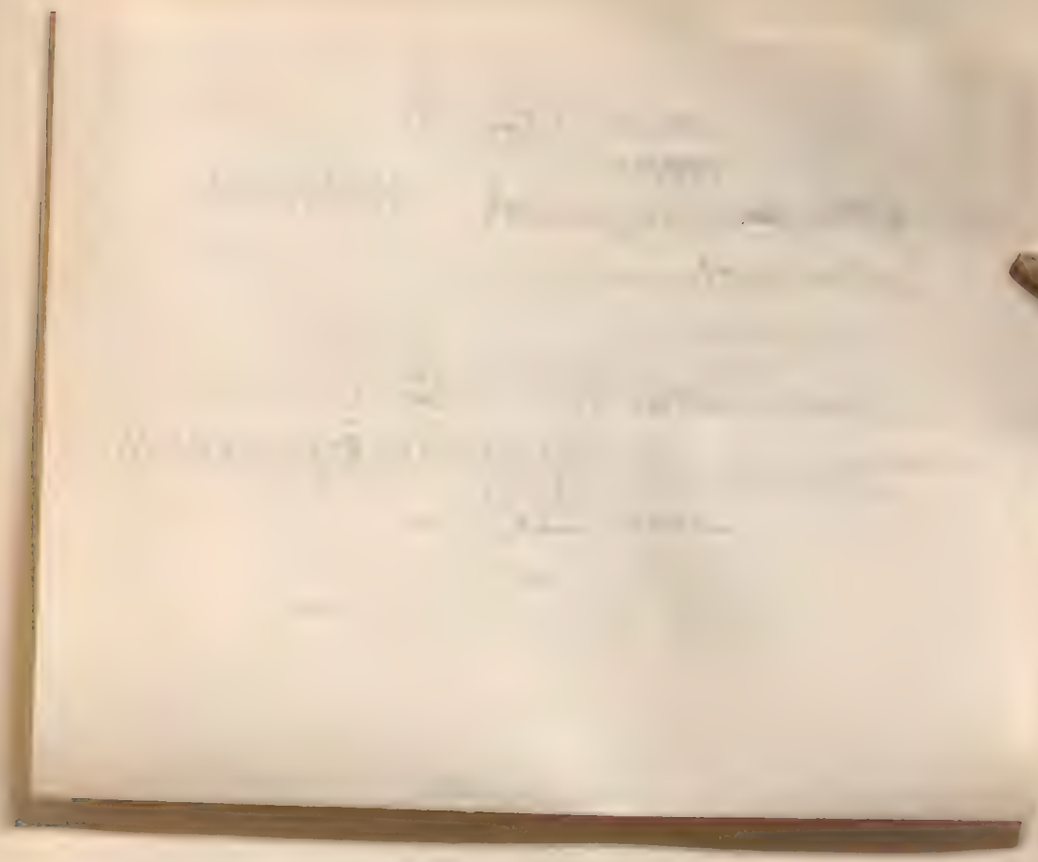
at 8 p.m.

Oslerites are cordially invited to
come and Toast our Candidate.

A UNIVERSITY MAN FOR THE UNIVERSITY.

We have had the best fights,
We will have the best Smokers.

TO-NIGHT. TO-NIGHT.



RECTORIAL REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE.

DR OSLER'S

Campaign will formally open on

TUESDAY NIGHT

by a great

"SMOKER"

IN THE

COMMITTEE ROOMS, Drummond St. Court

(Opposite Rutherford's),

At 8 p.m.

Conservative Chairs to sit on.

. . Liberal Beer on Draught . .

Liberal Tumblers. Liberal Cigarettes.

Conservative Fuel.

TO-NIGHT at 8 TO-NIGHT.

The Ace of Trumps.

Magazine of the Edinburgh University Rectorial Representation Committee.

No. I. *Published at its Committee Rooms at Drummond Street Court. Tuesday, 6th October* 1908.

The Non-Political Candidate.

We offer no apology to any one for submitting to the undergraduates of the University the name of a third, non-political candidate. It is surely a curious doctrine, one indicative of no little arrogance and self-conceit, which would put the monopoly of nomination of the Lord Rector in the hands of two small political committees representing only a fraction of the electors.

We do not mean by our action, or ask you to express by your votes, that a politician is of necessity an unfit person to represent your interests on the University Court; one has only to remember the magnificent work of such political holders of the office in the past as Lord Balfour of Burleigh or Mr Haldane, to see how untenable such a position would be.

But we do very strongly hold that to restrict ourselves in our choice of a Lord Rector within the comparatively narrow limits of party politics means very often that the students deprive themselves of the services of those very men who, by their academic training, are best able to serve the interests of our Alma Mater.

Had there been submitted to us by either of the political parties in the field, the name of a man of the first rank, who had some acquaintance with University affairs, and whose past record gave earnest of useful and intelligent service, there would have been no talk of a third candidate. But who are the gentlemen for whom you are asked to vote?

Mr Winston Churchill is a very brilliant politician. We have no grudge against Mr Churchill, we shall all watch his development with keen interest. But are the qualities and training which he possesses such as to fit him for the office of Lord Rector of this University. He is a Harrow and Sandhurst man, gained his reputation on the field of battle, the byeways of journalism, the political hustings. What does he know of academic affairs? What experience can he bring to the study of these questions? And is it not a little absurd to set a youth of just over thirty to guide the deliberations of a University Court that counts amongst its members such men as Sir William Turner, Professor Campbell Fraser?

Then there is Mr Wyndham, another "brilliant young man." Though he has lately been somewhat under a cloud, it is not unlikely he may regain a high position in the counsels of his party.

But here again, we ask, what qualifications does he possess? It is true he is an alumnus of Oxford, and is said to have a pretty acquaintance with Classics.

But there is one consideration that puts Mr Wyndham out of court immediately. He has been Lord Rector of Glasgow University, and by common consent the worst and most inefficient Lord Rector Glasgow has ever had. Communications from the S.R.C., the Union, and other undergraduate bodies were systematically and deliberately ignored; all efforts to get Mr Wyndham to do his duty by his constituents were fruitless. Is that the sort of man you want in Edinburgh?

The truth of the matter lies in one of two propositions. Either the two political organisations have been singularly sleepy and incompetent, or the Lord Rectorship of this University is going a-begging as far as the political world is concerned.

Neither of these two eventualities reflects much credit upon the present generation of undergraduates, and it is highly desirable that a stop should be put to this state of affairs.

You can teach the political cliques that they have made a mistake in thinking that any political suckling is good enough for the students of Edinburgh, and you can once more raise the dignity of the office of Lord Rector of your Alma Mater in going for your choice to the wider field of science and culture, and choosing for your candidate one who has given nothing to party, and all to mankind.

Such a one is Professor Dr William Osler, a man than whom there are few of greater renown and achievement in the medical profession, a man of letters whose essays have justly acquired for him a world-wide reputation, an academic man in the fullest and richest meaning of the term, who has left the mark of an original and thoughtful mind on every University with which he has been connected.

Edinburgh University would honour itself in honouring such a man, and it is not only with hope but with absolute confidence that we submit his name to our fellow-students.

An Unbiassed Opinion of Dr Osler.

THE following is a reprint from the *Student* of the 8th February 1907, on the occasion of one of Dr Osler's visits to Edinburgh, when he delivered a brilliant lecture to the Royal Medical Society:—

Without the saving grace of imagination, the republic of science were indeed a dull world. Accumulation of facts and marshalling of results may no doubt lead to useful ends, but we may well ask, with Carlyle, what is this mode of work, "but one other of the mechanical and menial handicrafts, for which the Scientific Head (having a Soul in it) is too noble an organ"? The living breath of imagination is wanted to make the dry bones live. To a few men this divine gift is granted, and amongst them must be numbered William Osler.

It has been well said that in the chequered annals of our country the Saxon spear is tipped with Celtic steel. The illustration is as true of the victories of peace as of war. No better proof could be found than that furnished by the Regius Professor of Medicine in Oxford. The descendant of two Cornish families, inspired by Arthurian traditions from his earliest years, he could not fail of the *perfervidum ingenium*. Upon his expectant ear have fallen the thousand blended notes of the western wonder-land, and the effect of such influences upon a mind attuned to wonder and to worship, has led him to the inner shrine of nature.

One of the most striking points in the character of Professor Osler is the orbicularity of his knowledge. Not content to tread the beaten track of Medicine, he has strayed into the by-paths of Literature and Science, and his teaching, whether by mouth or pen, has the brilliant qualities belonging to the man of broad sympathies and wide interests. This is not the place to descant upon his numerous and varied contributions to medical science, but in view of his present visit to our school it is fitting to recall such eloquent and stirring addresses as "British Medicine in Greater Britain," "The Master-Word in Medicine," and his last and probably finest, "The Growth of Truth."

In one of his most pregnant orations Dr Osler bade his hearers beware of "Chauvinism in Medicine." In his own life-work he has shown how free he is from all taint of narrow and illiberal tendencies, and the force of his example has been of inestimable value in keeping the medical schools of the English people on both sides of the Atlantic free from the parochialism so blatant in the Teutonic world to-day.

Professor Osler has not come among us as a stranger; we have gladly received him once more as a member of the University, while heartily welcoming him as the guest of our ancient Society. His visit in the midst of the strenuous labours of a hard term has been like a fresh breeze from the western sea, and has reminded us that we are apt to have the world too much with us. He has shown us that we are sometimes out of touch with the higher facts of life, and rather than fall into such a hopeless pass he has taught us to say with the great poet of Nature:—

> "Great God! I'd rather be
> A pagan suckled in a creed outworn;
> So might I, standing on this pleasant lea,
> Have glimpses that would make me less forlorn,
> Have sight of Proteus rising from the sea,
> Or hear old Triton blow his wreathèd horn."

Some Questions Worth Pondering.

1. If Mr Churchill is such an "ideal candidate," why did the Liberals ask half the present Cabinet to stand before they approached him?
2. Is that not a sign that they themselves consider him to be a tenth-rate candidate?
3. Why was Lord Milner asked to stand before Mr Wyndham? and why did he, after interviewing the Conservative Committee, drop the proposal like a hot potato?
4. Why has Edinburgh University not hall-marked the academic worth of either of the political candidates by conferring an Honorary Degree?

Political "Arguments."

THE main "argument" advanced against us by the Conservative magazine is the personal appearance of the members of our Committee. *Seeing that it comprises a good many ladies, the good taste and chivalry of this "argument" becomes at once apparent.*

We see no reason why, because men are conducting a keen Rectorial contest, they should forget what is due to their status as students and as gentlemen.

There is an important issue at stake in this election; surely it can be fought out without abusive and insolent personalities.

ANAGRAM.—Winston—wins not.

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We present our congratulations to Mr J. Wales Cameron, M.A., a student of the United Free Church College, on having had the degrees of M.B., Ch.B., conferred upon him by his colleagues on the Liberal Executive.

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The personality of our Committee has been attacked. We might return the compliment if our opponents had any personality.

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Many thanks to our opponents for the prominent advertisement they have given us.

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Our thanks are also due to three men of our Physical Force Brigade whose raids on the Conservative and Liberal rooms have already resulted in the capture of five dozen bottles of beer, several hundred cigarettes, six chairs, a number of candles, corkscrews, and matches, and several hundred copies of the Conservative Magazine.

Photo by *Hills & Saunders, Oxford.*

Professor WILLIAM OSLER,

M.D., F.R.S., F.R.C.P. (Lond.), LL.D. (Edin., &c.), D.Sc. (Oxon.), D.C.L. (Toronto),

Non-Political Candidate for the Lord Rectorship.

Objections to a Political Candidate.

1. A political candidate has too many claims upon his time to give much attention to our affairs.

2. Experience has taught us that seldom have political Rectors devoted sufficient time to their Rectorial duties.

3. Politicians, unless they happen to be graduates of our University, have not the necessary training for the position.

4. Past political Rectors have, with one or two exceptions, done absolutely nothing for the students.

Reasons for electing Dr Osler.

1. He is (1) a great scientist,
(2) a fine orator,
(3) a brilliant thinker,
(4) a gentleman.

2. His University experience extends to eight Universities.

3. No less than nine Universities, including Edinburgh, have recognised his academic achievements by conferring upon him an Honorary Degree.

4. His addresses to students have attained a world-wide reputation.

5. He has made a study of University organisation, and in particular of that of Edinburgh—"the Alma Mater of my teachers" (as he writes himself).

6. He has the time, the inclination, and the qualifications to serve the students of our University.

7. He has frequently visited Edinburgh as a lecturer and as a student of Edinburgh methods.

8. Even our opponents acknowledge his worth and achievements.

Objections to the Political Candidates.

1. One of them has no University training.

2. The other has been a conspicuous failure as Lord Rector of another Scottish University.

3. Neither of them is fitted to preside over University Courts.

4. It would be an indignity to put our Professors under the presidency of such mannikins as Wyndham or Churchill.

Reasons for a Non-Political Candidate.

1. The University has its own representative in the House of Commons (Sir J. Batty Tuke, M.P.).

2. There are nineteen graduates of Edinburgh in the present House of Commons.

3. There are in the Privy Council nine men who are either graduates of, or closely connected with, the University—including the Chancellor, Mr Balfour, and such men as Lord Lister and Mr Haldane.

4. There are in the present Liberal Government three Edinburgh University men (Mr Haldane, Mr Shaw, and Mr Ure).

5. There will (according to all forecasts) be at least four Edinburgh men in the next Unionist Government (Mr Balfour, Sir Robert Finlay, Mr Avon Clyde, and Mr Mitchell Thomson).

6. That is sufficient political representation for any University, and one man more or less will not make any difference.

7. To guide the deliberations of the University Court a man with great knowledge of University affairs is required.

8. To represent the interests of the students a man of academic training who knows students, their ways, and their needs, is required.

Facts (?) from the Political Rags.

1. "They (our Committee) were not mainly medicals themselves, but, having to pander to medicals, they decided to put up a medical man."—*The Conservative Rag.* All Faculties are well represented on the R.R.C., but there happens to be a majority of medicals, the exact figures being—

Medicals	-	-	17
Non-medicals	-	-	16

2. "The official list of the Office-bearers of the R.R.C. does not include the name of a single person who has ever been connected with the Liberal Association."—*The Liberal Rag.* One of the Vice-Presidents has for three years past been an active member of the Liberal Association, has held office as Faculty Convener in Arts, and still has a letter in which the Liberal Executive this year asked him to be Convener in Law.

3. "In the public and political life of the country Professor Osler is an absolute nonenity."—*The Conservative Rag.* Since when have great scientists ceased to be of importance in the public life of a country? Or is political success the only test of usefulness?

Have Political Lord Rectors the Time to Devote to University Affairs?

We submit to you elsewhere that, unless actuated by the great devotion of a graduate to his own Alma Mater (*e.g.*, Mr Haldane), a Political Lord Rector seldom has time, opportunity, and inclination to fill efficiently the duties of the office.

We can offer many proofs of this fact. To-day we print a confession of its truth from the hand of two of the most distinguished statesmen who ever held the office—Mr W. E. Gladstone, the greatest of Liberal leaders, and Lord Derby, one of the greatest of Conservative Foreign Secretaries.

The letters were written in answer to a request from a literary man for information concerning the conditions and mode of life obtaining in our University.

The letters speak for themselves: it may be noted that Mr Gladstone held the post of Lord Rector for six years, being double the usual time.

"My dear Sir,—I fear I can offer no contribution to your work, for **my office allowed me no real opportunity of contact with the students of Edinburgh University.**—Your very faithful and obedient,

"W. E. Gladstone."

So much for the great Liberal Prime Minister. What says the Conservative Foreign Secretary?

"Sir,—I have your letter, but fear it is not in my power to do what you ask. A Lord Rector not residing in Edinburgh and only seeing the students when he delivers a formal address before them, is not in a position to give an opinion as to either their social or literary life.—I remain, your obedient servant,

"Derby."

Is Winston greater than Gladstone? Is Wyndham likely to accomplish that which the great Lord Derby found impossible?

Our opponents will object that neither is Dr Osler resident in Edinburgh. Quite true, but he has in the past been here innumerable times; he has far more leisure than the others; University affairs have always had a great fascination for him; he is used to associating with students; **he is prepared to come up to Edinburgh and to represent the students at every single meeting of the University Court where anything affecting the interests of the students is to be discussed.**

Can either of the other two candidates promise that? And if they do, will parliamentary obligations, their duties to their constituents, the pressing necessity of platform work, the terrible pressure of business in a great Government department, enable them to keep such a promise?

We think not. Not a single statesman has ever done it, though some pledged their word of honour to do it.

Dr Osler's Committee Rooms—

IN DRUMMOND STREET COURT

(OPPOSITE RUTHERFORD'S PUB.).

Conservative Chairs to sit on. Liberal Beer on Draught.
Liberal Cigarettes to Smoke.

Printed at the Darien Press, *Bristo Place, Edinburgh.*

The Ace of Trumps.

Magazine of the Edinburgh University Rectorial Representation Committee.

No. II. *Published at its Committee Rooms at Drummond Street Court. Monday, 12th October* 1908.

The Lord Rector is the Students' Representative upon the University Court, which is the Governing Body of the University, and of which he is the President. Students of Edinburgh University. Elect a man who has the academic attainment and dignity necessary for the position—Dr OSLER.

Students - -	elect a Student.
Arts Men - -	elect a Writer.
Philosophers - -	elect a Thinker.
Law Men - -	elect an Orator.
Scientists - -	elect a Scientist.
Medicals - -	elect a Medical.
Colonials - -	elect a Colonial-born.
University Men -	elect a University Man.
University Women	elect a Respectable Man.
ALL - - -	ELECT OSLER.

Their Methods and a Moral.

So far the contest has been marked by two distinct peculiarities—the collapse of the Liberals, as far as Committee-Room work is concerned, and the amazing methods of our opponents.

We give particulars of these methods in another column; we will merely give one or two instances here. The Conservative Rooms, or at least the means of access to them, are under the constant protection of a strong force of police; the Liberal Rooms (or what remains of them) put themselves under the no less efficient protection of a woman. When they come to attack us, some of their men have been seen to supply ammunition to roughs and hooligans, and pay them for help and information. In one way we rather welcome these things. They show that the excellence of our Physical Force Brigade and the extraordinary enthusiasm which the Non-Political Candidate has roused, have inspired our opponents with a very wholesome fear. At the same time, it is important to note that there is no precedent for such "safe" methods of fighting. We are willing to meet our opponents in fair fight, separate or combined, in attack or in defence; we are not prepared to fight troops of police, imploring women, and dirty street hooligans.

The methods of our opponents' canvassers are not less discreditable. We do not suppose there has ever been such an amount of misrepresentation packed into a few days' canvass in any previous contest. We detail and refute some of these falsehoods elsewhere, and again here we are not altogether sorry to see what methods our opponents are employing. They show that a state of panic and demoralisation at the success of our candidate has taken possession of the two opposite parties. Of course they will fail. They have no arguments, they have wretched candidates. But their methods are the most contemptible thing about them. No election was ever won in this University by a systematic campaign of misrepresentation and cowardice.

An Unpleasant Incident at Tuesday's Smoker.

Great inconvenience was caused to gentlemen attending our Smoker on Tuesday, by the nature of the songs of one irrepressible and inebriated student. Needless to say, our Committee regret the incident extremely, and, as a matter of fact, the student in question was eventually "fired out." A similar incident will not occur again at any Smoker of ours.

The Captain commanding Osler's Physical Force Brigade presents his compliments to the Liberal and Conservative leaders, and offers to hold, for their special benefit, a course of lectures on strategy, fortifications, gunnery, and offensive and defensive tactics.

Our Battle Songs.

No. 1. *Air*—Son of a Gambolier.

We are 'Varsity students of Edinboro' town,
Our choice for Rector lay between a stop-gap and a clown,
Till Osler's nomination soon cleared up any doubt,
And we are going to put him in and keep the others out.

Chorus.

For we won't vote for Wyndham, nor yet for "Winston dear."
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But we will vote for Osler, on that our minds are clear;
We'll vote for the man who'll do the work, to whom the work is dear.

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Just fancy Winston Churchill presiding over Court:
He'd treat the Profs. to a lightning sketch—"Elections I have fought."
He'd slang old Billy Turner in his accustomed way—
The Court would be a circus soon if Winston had his way.

Chorus.

Now Wyndham's fair beyond compare, he has a lovely face;
A South Side slop-shop window I'm sure that he would grace.
He's a splendid tailor's dummy from this you will infer,
But as Students' Representative he's a white-washed sepulchre.

Chorus.

We want a man to represent the student on the Court,
A man who's been a student, a man who's been a sport.
We want no dregs of Manchester, nor stop-gap beauty-man,
And so we vote for Osler, for he's the students' man.

Chorus.

For he's the man who's spent his life with students hand in hand,
Of learned men he ranks among the highest in the land,
But yet a fellow-student—no outside man for us—
The hopeless politicians this time have missed the bus.

Chorus.

Bombast and Facts.

"*Churchill's supporters, at least, will fight like sportsmen. They are ready to take on any number of foes and give them a beating at any time of the day or night*" (sic).—The Liberal Rag!

Mr J. Wales Cameron and his faithful followers failed to act up to their bombast on Thursday night. Female Protection was eluded by one of our men dropping in through the skylight on to the Liberal tea-party. He knocked the worthy President down, and gave the others such a hot time that they were glad to allow the door to be opened. It seems one man is enough to pulverise the Winstonite warriors!

A Political "Argument."

Liberal canvassers are assiduously spreading the report that our Committee is the outcome of a Conservative intrigue to let Wyndham in. Conservative canvassers are equally eager to demonstrate that we desire to split the vote and let Winston in. On the face of it they can't both be right. As a matter of fact they are both wrong, and they know it. They know that in making use of one of these theories they are making use of a falsehood. There are Conservatives and Liberals on our Committee, rather more of the former than the latter; some of them are ex-officials of their respective organisations. There are also Socialists on our Committee, who cry "A plague on both your houses." There is an ex-President of the Tariff Reform League and an ex-President of the Free Trade Union. There are men who take no interest nor share in politics. On the face of it it is absurd to suggest that these people can be actuated by a common political motive or indeed by any political motive whatever. Why, then, have they come together? Because they refuse to sacrifice the interests of the University to the petty pride of political committees; because they see that neither of the political candidates is fit for the office; because, in short, they want a University man for the University.

Publishers' Announcements.

The Snare of the Fowler. By W. D. With a Facsimile of numberless Letters sent to possible Liberal Candidates. Full relation of the great search, with extracts giving J. W. C.'s real opinion of Mr Winston Churchill. Sensational work. 4 volumes.

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LIBERAL "FACTS."

A CHALLENGE.

"ALMA MATER," in its last issue, says we have made a mistake, and that "The Liberal Association never asked any other member of the Cabinet. They asked Mr Churchill first."

We challenge the President of the Liberal Association, on his word of honour as a gentleman, to endorse that statement of his Magazine. We have at the present moment before us a letter from an important member of the Government, written in the course of last winter, relating to invitations to stand for the Lord Rectorship, addressed by the E.U. Liberal Association to Mr Haldane and Sir Edward Grey.

Is this a piece of deliberate mendacity on the part of the Liberal Executive? For the credit of the University, we prefer in the meantime to think that the denial referred to was written in ignorance—possibly by that delightful Joint Hon. Sec. of theirs, Mr Rose, who has not attended a single meeting of his Committee since he was appointed.

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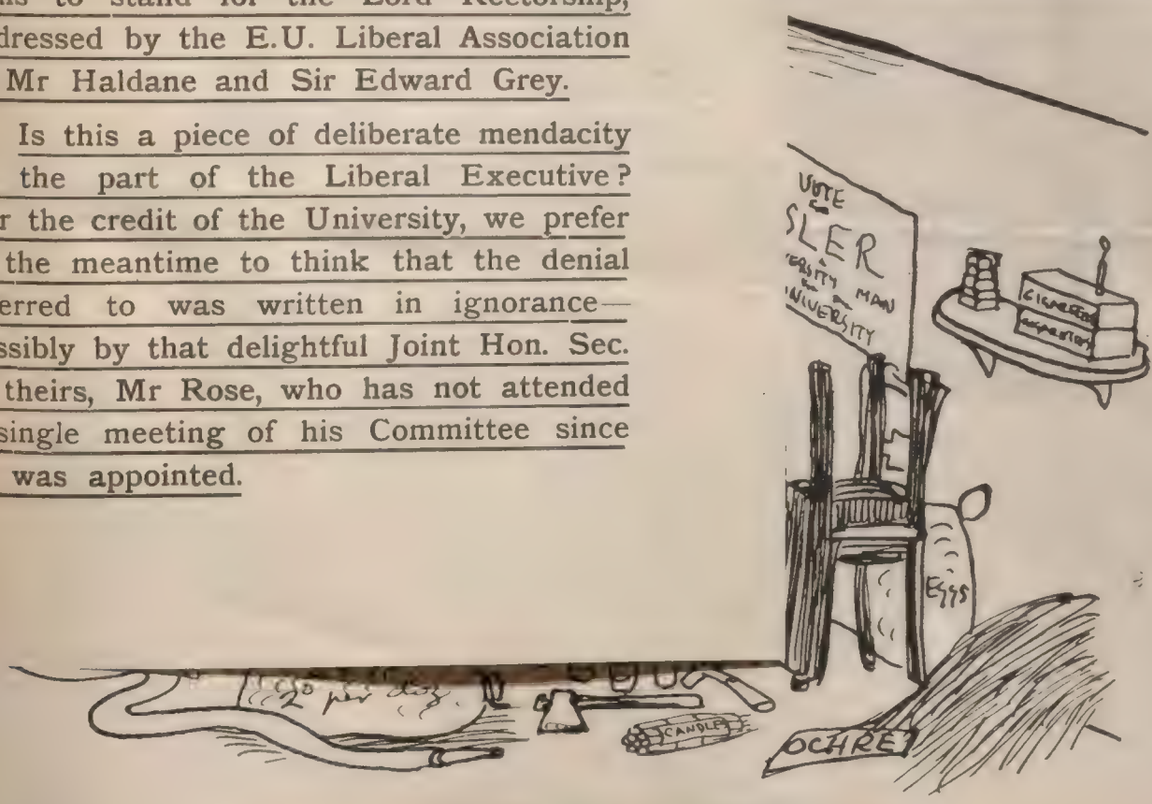

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THE RECTORIAL BATTLEFIELDS.

(By 'our Special Artist-War-Correspondent.)

The only possible View of the Wyndhamite Rooms last Tuesday night.

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IMPORTANT WORK.

QUAINT OLD BIRDS.

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Political Fairplay.

On Tuesday night parties of our men on several occasions attempted a raid on Mr Wyndham's Committee Rooms. They were on each occasion warned to desist by the police. Mr Carr was officially informed by a sergeant of police that any man who touched the door leading to the Conservative Rooms would be immediately arrested. He added that the most precise orders had been given to him to this effect, and that he had in readiness in the neighbourhood a sufficient force of police to overcome any resistance.

The above requires no comment.

On Tuesday night a party of our men climbed up the stair leading to the Liberal pigeon loft. They were met by a woman who informed them that she was the only person there and implored them "as gentlemen" not to go any further. Our men thereupon desisted from further advance.

This is a novel method of defence and will no doubt be very handy to tide over the time until the Liberals can scrape together some fighting men. Hitherto they have been conspicuous by their absence, Mr D. C. Macgregor being the only militant representative of the Liberal party so far.

Why not Exams.?

THE political candidates are such poor specimens that they should pass a preliminary before being nominated.

FOR MR CHURCHILL.

1. Describe your experience of University life.
2. Distinguish between a University student and a Dundee dunderhead as regards—
   (*a*) Character of Representative required.
   (*b*) Nature of promises to be made.
   (*c*) Your chance of fooling them.
3. Write a short essay of not more than 200 pages on yourself.
4. Compose appropriate epithets for—
   (*a*) Dr Osler.
   (*b*) Robertson.
   (*c*) The Oslerian Physical Force Brigade.

FOR MR WYNDHAM.

1. Write a prescription for hair oil.
2. Enumerate the leading London tailors.
3. Write an essay on "What I did not do for Glasgow."
4. Describe the anatomical relations of—
   (*a*) Your trouser crease.
   (*b*) Your nerve.
   (*c*) The corner in your heart for Ireland.
5. Compare the academic work of an Oxford graduate and an Oxford professor.

One More Reason.

WE have already given several reasons why students should support Dr Osler.

We might have added another:—He is the only one of the three candidates who was freely chosen by the students without outside influence.

He was chosen by the R.R.C., a Committee elected at a mass meeting of matriculated students.

Mr Churchill's name was "suggested" to the Liberal Executive (after a long series of snubs) by a leading member of the present Government who had himself refused to be candidate.

In a similar way, the name of Mr Wyndham was "suggested" to a despairing Conservative Executive by the head Conservative office in London.

Perhaps our opponents will issue an official denial of these facts. *They are facts all the same;* they do not repose on idle rumour but on absolute knowledge. Now, what motive would actuate these "suggestions"? Clearly the interests of the respective parties—Mr Churchill's constant presence "in the public eye" is a great asset to the present Government. Mr Wyndham is, for some mysterious reason, very little in request for meetings, &c., by political associations. This was a good way both to console him and endeavour to restore his prestige. **Now, where do the interests of the students come in in these back-stair political intrigues?**

Wyndhamia.

WE apologise to Mr George Wyndham for not attacking him quite so much as his companion in misfortune. His hopeless mediocrity is as good as a 12-inch Harveyed-steel armour-plate to him.

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Oh, flowery George of Glasgow fame,
To you our hats we raise;
You never did a thing to blame,
Nor yet a thing to praise.
* * * *
You remind us of Charles II.

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We desire to deny emphatically the rumour that Mr Wyndham is Scott's "friend from Glasgow."

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We hear that Mr Wyndham is engaged to contribute "Beauty Notes" to *Home Chat.*

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"Imperial Cæsar, dead and turned to clay,
Would stop a hole to keep the wind away."

—But Wyndham did not wait to die to become a Stopgap.

"Facts" from Political Canvassers.

CANVASSERS have a curiously fertile imagination. They are constantly making new and startling discoveries. We reproduce a few of these:—

1. "Mr Churchill holds two University degrees."
   Mr Churchill is an army man, and has never set foot within a University.
2. "Dr Osler is not a British but an American citizen."
   Dr Osler is Canadian-born and of Cornish parentage. His only connection with the U.S.A. is his tenure of professorial chairs in various American Universities.
3. "Dr Osler's chief claim to notoriety lies in his work, 'Too Old at Forty.'"
   There is no such work.
4. "In no other University has a non-political candidate ever been elected."
   In St Andrews the present Lord Rector is Lord Avebury, the well-known scientist; for years the contest has ceased to be political. In Aberdeen in 1905 the late Lord Ritchie was defeated by Sir Frederick Treves, Bart., the well-known surgeon. In Glasgow, among others, Lord Kelvin has been "run" for the Rectorship.

Campaign Notes.

THE "Smoker" held in our rooms on Tuesday night was a great success—over a hundred men had to be refused admittance, as the place, which contains 200 people, was packed to its utmost limits.

The utmost enthusiasm was shown, and the treacherous attempt of three Conservative "guests" to upset a barrel of whitewash resulted in their being themselves overwhelmed by its contents. Owing to the Wyndhamites being under the protection of a large force of police the intended sequel to the "smoker"—the wrecking of the entire Conservative tenement—could not take place.

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Are there any Winstonites left? For a good part of Tuesday afternoon their rooms were gaily flaunting Osler's colours from every side, even the chimney-pots were decorated with our posters.

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Our canvass hitherto is extraordinarily good. Osler is sweeping everything before him, not only in Medicine, bnt also in Arts.

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We hear the Wyndhamites are trying to belittle our recent capture of their literature. They say we took barely 100 copies. We took between 600 and 700 copies. About half of these are still lying in our rooms —the rest have been filled with pease meal and returned by special despatch at their owners' cost.

Liberal Lament.

OH, young is our dear Candidate,
But Younger was our beer;
It went to wet the throats of those
Who love the Oxford seer.

And fragrant were our cigarettes—
But, oh! the dismal joke,
They went just like our party's hopes
Away in clouds of smoke.

Our candles and our candlesticks
Should light to Victory's way;
But when the Requiem Mass is held
We'll buy some more to pray.

Distressed Politicians' Fund.

JOINT PATRONS.
RIGHT HON. WINSTON S. CHURCHILL, M.P.
RIGHT HON. GEORGE WYNDHAM, M.P.

THE Committee very earnestly APPEAL for FUNDS for the maintenance of those unfortunate politicians who, being by age, mental infirmity, or severe attacks of beriberi (swelled head), incapacitated from successfully diddling the public, are exposed to their goods being distrained, their homes wrecked by the Rectorial Representation Committee. Could the public read the piteous appeals that come to us by every post they would feel touched with a great compassion.

We print some extracts from those unfortunate persons' appeals:—

"Have lost all; even hope. No beer in the house. Cigarettes and matches denied me. Am in hiding and in great distress.
"J. WHALES C-M-R-N."

"My new suit (pale lavender) ruined. J. L-WS-N."

"Piratical practices have completely smashed up my flourishing literary business. G. L-TH-M."

"The only thing left to me is temper; my only consolation is that I have a great surplus stock of it. But the market is very dull. L. G-RD-N GR-NT."

"House completely gutted; votes all fast disappearing.
"W. D. F-WL-R."

MR A. H. SC-TT will be pleased to receive all contributions to above fund.

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The Ace of Trumps.

Magazine of the Edinburgh University Rectorial Representation Committee.

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The Issue.

THE date of the Election has been fixed for Saturday, the 24th of October.

Prophecy is always dangerous, in elections supremely so; yet it is with singular confidence that we await the verdict of the University on that day.

We are confident, in the first place, because of the excellence of our candidate. The office of Lord Rector has no more than an honorary value, unless it demand from its holder considerable academic knowledge and experience. Dr Osler is the only one of the three candidates who can lay claim to either. Moreover, he is a man who all his life has been in touch with students, knowing their condition and their needs, taking a keen and enthusiastic interest in anything that affects their welfare.

We are confident, in the second place, because of the widespread feeling of disgust at the dictatorial methods and the poor candidates of the political associations.

We are confident, in the third place, because our canvass shows us that we have every reason to be so, because we have with us the best elements in the University, irrespective of party and faculty; because, also, we have behind a great driving force in the sympathy of the general public outside the University. We are confident also because we have not throughout the campaign been one single time defeated, and that, although the peculiar methods of some at least of our opponents put us at considerable disadvantage.

We are confident, finally, and perhaps chiefly, because we are fighting for a good cause. We do not offer you grand old Liberal principles, or grand old Conservative principles, for we hold party politics has nothing to do with the internal administration of the University.

But we offer you this principle—the principle of efficiency, which demands that in all things the best expert knowledge obtainable shall be employed. We wish to bang, bolt, and bar the door of academic honour to political carpet-baggers, and to have as President of the University Court a man of University training, instinct, and experience.

We are glad to be able to state that our President, Mr James Robertson, who was seriously injured in the knee in defending our rooms on Saturday night, is doing as well as can be expected. Mr Miles reports that no bones are broken.

"Liars, Unlimited."

WE have already said we see no reason why language should be permissible in election literature which would disgrace the conversation of gentlemen. To that line of policy we adhere, and will not, therefore, reply in kind to the epithets hurled at us in a paragraph in No. 2 of the *Lord Rector*, under the refined and elegant title of "Liars, Unlimited."

But we cannot let certain statements of "fact" contained in that paragraph pass unchallenged.

There is not a single true statement in the whole paragraph.

We deal in a special leaflet with the scandalous accusation brought forward by Mr Cameron and endorsed by "Liars, Unlimited."

Another absolutely baseless charge is made against one of our Vice-Presidents of having broken into the Conservative Rooms on the Sunday before the hostilities began. The raid to which allusion is made took place at 7 P.M. on Friday evening, the 2nd of October—hostilities having been begun on the 1st. To this fact we can bring many independent witnesses.

The window, moreover, was not open. Mr Darnton Fraser was not the burglar. Crowds of Liberals and Conservatives have seen the 6 chairs, 600 *Lord Rectors*, and 100 cigarettes in our rooms.

From the author of such a farrago of slanders it seems useless to demand an apology; we ask him, since he has charged our men in general and one of our officials in particular with conduct unbecoming a gentleman:

(1) to reveal his identity,
(2) to prove his statements.

If he does not—and we know he cannot—the University will know what to think of him, or, if he still hides in the convenient shades of anonymity, of the editorial committee of the *Lord Rector*.

Their Leaders—and Ours.

ANOTHER comment from the Conservatives on our appearance, this time upon our clothes :—

A compliment, though meant to be,
To say the least, a slighting;
We wear our oldest clothes, you see,
Because we're daily fighting.

Your leaders sit in their arm-chairs
And fool you with their mumming,
They take the lead in your affairs
Just when Swan Watson's coming.

When it was Dark.

1. In those days the Philistines gathered together with sound of trumpets to do battle with the mighty hosts of the Oslerites.
2. And their leader, Kahm-er-un, who is also called Leviathan, spake unto the people and said:
3. Go, do battle against the mighty, and bring the spoils to lay before the graven image of the Temple on the Mount.
4. And they hearkened unto the silvery voice of the charmer, and girded up their loins, and did battle, being a weak-kneed generation and knowing not the wiles of the charmer.
5. But the Oslerites, being mighty men of valour, prevailed, and hurled the Philistines back, and oppressed them sorely in divers manners.
6. And when the night was far spent the Philistines perceived their leader, who is also Leviathan, arrayed in fine linen and exceeding clean.
7. And they saw, yea, in the twinkling of an eye, that they were but hewers of wood and drawers of water for the graven image.
8. Wherefore they took counsel together, and said, Let us go over to the Oslerites where there is neither bondage nor graven images, for they are mighty and must prevail.
9. And it was done accordingly.

Our Opponents' Inconsistencies.

THE literature of our opponents alone would afford us a whole armoury of weapons. Occasionally in one issue one paragraph has the happy effect of correcting the misrepresentation contained in the preceding one.

As example, look at "A Great Scientist," in No. 2 of *Alma Mater*. We print two consecutive sentences contained in it side by side.

The Oslerites hail their candidate as "a great scientist" —a ludicrous exaggeration. . .	Professor Osler is one of the Leaders of the Medical Profession.

We thank thee, O Whales, for thus exposing thine own absurdities.

More often, however, it is one of our opponents who countermines the carefully-laid torpedo of our other opponent—thus :—

The Lord Rector is Chairman of the University Court. The duties of the Court are as follows :—To form a Court of appeal from the Senatus, to found new Chairs, to see that Professors and Lecturers perform the duties incumbent on them, to . . . The Court is in fact a body for the administration of the affairs of the University, and for promoting legislation on its behalf.— No. 2, *Alma Mater*, p. 2.	. . . All the educational organisation of the University is in the hands of the Senate and not of the University Court. The Lord Rector is therefore impotent as far as educational administration is concerned. — Supplement to *Lord Rector*, p. 2.

The Beauty-man.

SOME of the more impressionable members of the Women Students' Union have been heard to declare for Mr Wyndham on account of his good looks.

We did not know, 'tis now too late,
We crave your fair indulgence,
Else had we named a candidate
Of glorious refulgence.

Wyndham, we know, is fair to see,
And clad in wondrous mercery,
But still, by now your dolls should be
Left lying in the nursery.

The Liberal Reply.

WE are quite satisfied with the Liberal reply to our challenge.

1. The writer of it insists on an accusation of "mendacity." We suggested a more charitable explanation—but we are not Mr Cameron's cap-fitters.

2. Mr Cameron is driven to confess that his association invited Mr Haldane before Mr Churchill. This squares curiously with his previous statement that they did not ask any other member of the Cabinet—they asked Mr Churchill first.

Since when has Mr Haldane ceased to be a member of the Cabinet?

3. Mr Cameron *loquitur*: "No communications of any sort passed between us and Sir Edward Grey."

That is a very pretty quibble. We are quite willing to believe that no official and written communications passed between "we," the Committee, and Sir Edward.

Dr Osler clears the barrier, and rides straight and steadfast to the Lord Rectorship.

Grey. But will Mr Cameron deny that a day or two before or after last winter's joint debate with the Cambridge Union, he approached Sir Edward Grey in the lobby of the House of Commons, asked him to stand and was refused? If so, he will be denying what he himself told us on his return from Cambridge.

4. Mr Cameron, with a loud rolling of drums, calls upon us to publish our letters. We suspect his challenge would not be quite so confident did he not know perfectly well that we have not the permission of the writer of the letter to publish it.

On the whole, the "reply" reads very much like an admission of at least half the charge; that is a considerable step towards the whole truth.

We challenged Mr Cameron to swear on his word of honour as a gentleman that his Association did not ask any member of the Cabinet before they asked Mr Churchill.

The net result, the one outstanding fact, is that Mr Cameron, as we knew, has been unable to do so.

On his o[wn] confession they did not ask Mr Churchill first.

Mr F-wl-r's Lament.

THE O.C. our Physical Force Brigade presents his sincerest apologies to Mr Willie F-wl-r for having bespattered him with beanmeal on the occasion of a recent assault of the Liberal Rooms. He suggests that in future, to avoid misunderstandings, Mr F-wl-r, when "guarding" the Liberal Rooms or attacking the Oslerite fort, should have a placard marked "Inoffensive" fastened round his neck. Every effort will in that case be made to avoid hitting Mr F-wl-r.

A Contrast.

WHEN the Libero-Conservatives came to attack our rooms on Thursday night, the street gates of our pend were shut. The police refused to allow an attack on the gates. We thereupon opened them wide and allowed the enemy into our court to give them a chance of fighting us.

ON every occasion when our men went to attack the Conservative Rooms, they were warned by the police that any one touching the street door of the lobby and stair leading up to the enemy's fort, would be instantly arrested. The advent of the police (bearing this message) on Friday night was greeted by Conservative cheers.

Which of these is the sportsman's party?

Campaign Notes.

ON Saturday night a few Liberals lost their heads and threw burning torches in the faces of the defenders from a range of less than three yards.

As sporting as the part you play
As merest politician's tool,
The Torch of Knowledge thrown away
All for a fool.

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A few Liberals asked to see our citadel from the inside after our successful defence. After their withdrawal we found our hose cut to pieces. A Radical operation.

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We have another hose.

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The Liberals said something about a Balkan village. They must have been thinking of those Turkish cigarettes captured and destroyed by us.

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We can hardly think that the sportsmen who fought us so fairly on Thursday night are responsible for the misstatements and grossness of their periodical. We prefer to think that it is the product of their "leaders," writhing like wounded weevils in impotent unimportance while their "followers" take the lead in their forlorn hope.

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Did the Conservative Chronic ever hear of a mixture to be rubbed in? No wonder Fraser ploughed him.

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The Conservative publication is mostly extracts from other sources. The original matter is unspeakably pointless and untrue.

What a Brain!

FROM "The Ghost," a recent Liberal publication:—

"Clever, isn't it? How did he do it? What a brain!"

We seem to have heard these words before; somehow they vividly recall to our mind one of J. W. C.'s innumerable perorations in the Union Debating Hall.

There seems to be a curious barrenness of new ideas in the Liberal brain.

Reply to Tory and Liberal Challenges.

It has been repeatedly hinted that Dr Osler was not the first man we asked. The Committee, as elected at a mass meeting of students in July 1908, drew up a possible list of candidates. Dr Osler's name was unanimously put first on the list. He was asked first and accepted.

Before the Committee was elected Professor Crum Brown was sounded by five students, but his doctors refused to allow him to even consider the idea. The R.R.C., however, did not ask or even sound any one but Dr Osler.

"Facts" from Political Canvassers.

Political canvassers have been heard to say that:—

"The Rectorial Election has always been political."

The actual facts are these:—

(*a*) In 1865 **Thomas Carlyle was elected against Disraeli by 657 to 310 votes.**

(*b*) In 1883 Professor Blackie was a non-political candidate against Lord Northcote (C.) and Mr Trevelyan (L.). He was a close second on the poll, and would have come out first but for the Conservatives spreading about a rumour on the day of the poll that the Liberal "Blackietes" were going after all to vote for Trevelyan. There was no foundation for the rumour, but it enabled Lord Northcote to go in by a narrow majority.

(*c*) A number of candidates on various occasions on either side were, although more or less associated with politics, pre-eminently known as scientists or lawyers. We instance Lord Reay (1893), Playfair (1886), Christison (1880), Robertson (1893).

Mr Wyndham's Record.

The Wyndhamites quote various persons in Glasgow in support of the assertion that their candidate was a success as Lord Rector there. These people are as mysteriously anonymous as Mr Scott's proverbial friend.

One of them is filled with admiration for Mr Wyndham's manners. We have never doubted his manners; we believe they are infinitely superior to those of his supporters. But the University Court is not a ballroom. We deal in facts, not in vaporous assertions.

Now **the official figures of Mr Wyndham's attendances at the Glasgow University Court during his tenure of the Rectorship there are as follows:—**

Out of 30 Meetings of the Court Mr Wyndham attended 1—

A record in its way, no doubt. A fine record, which testifies strongly to Mr Wyndham's "sympathy with things Scottish" in general and Scottish Universities in particular.

The Conservative Rooms are spick and span, because they have from the beginning been under Police protection.

The *Lord Rector* repeats the statement that Dr Osler is an American.

Dr Osler is a British subject; he never has been anything else.

The *Lord Rector* publishes an effusion entitled "Mugs' Labour's Lost." We congratulate it on the aptness of the title. The whole *Lord Rector* would be fittingly described as "Mugs' Labour's Lost."

Important Notice.

A truce has been declared for the hours between 8 A.M. and 8 P.M. daily, and during the week-end between the hours of 8 A.M. Saturday and 8 P.M. Monday, to meet the wishes of the Police.

If a breach of truce is traceable to either of the three parties, that party shall forfeit £5 to the Students' Ward in the Royal Infirmary.

J. Wales Cameron,
President E.U. Lib. Assoc.

John Brander,
Vice-President E.U. Cons. Assoc.

H. J. Darnton Fraser,
Vice-President E.U. Rectorial Repres. Committee.

Why We Oppose Wyndham.

We take strong exception to the statement in No. 3 of the *Lord Rector* that we have criticised Mr Wyndham's career in Ireland.

We have done no such thing. His career in Ireland does not concern us in the least, it is a purely political matter.

WE OPPOSE MR WYNDHAM FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:—

(1) **His lack of sufficient University training.**
(2) **His lack of time.**
(3) **His outrageously bad record as Lord Rector in Glasgow.**
(4) **His inferiority (on every point) to our own candidate.**

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MENDACITY?

We print an interesting letter received by our President from Mr James Wales Cameron, President of the Liberal Association:—

11 Lauriston Place,
Edinburgh, *9th October* 1908.

Dear Robertson,

Last night, as you know, there was a very hot fight up at the Liberal Rooms. After your men had succeeded in breaking the door, a great scrimmage took place. When it had lasted a long time, a truce was called. All this, of course, we enjoy as much as your men do. **But during the battle several men rushed the house of a respectable couple next door and smashed the skylights, thus leaving the house exposed to all the winds that blow.** This is a distinct breach of the agreement under which all Rectorials are fought—that no damage should be done to private property. I take the liberty of pointing out that had this agreement not been kept in the past, Rectorial raids would not be allowed under any circumstances by the police.

I think it would be well if you warned your men on the point, so that no damage to the private property of non-combatants may take place; and, in view of the fact that the damage has been done by your men in what appears to me to have been a singularly unsportsmanlike manner, quite unworthy of Rectorial traditions—**by rushing an undefended lady**—I trust that the Rectorial Representation Committee will make full compensation to Mr S. Cameron.

Yours sincerely,

J. WALES CAMERON.

That is Mr James Wales Cameron's story. Now, we, **knowing it to be a foul and slanderous fabrication,** have interviewed the woman in question, with the result that we are able to publish the following statement written and signed by her, and witnessed by her husband:—

13th November 1908.

On the night of the 8th, I was not at home at the time the skylight was broken. The damage done by the attacking party has been paid for. I myself was not assaulted by the Osler party

M. A. CAMERON.

(Witness) STEWART CAMERON.

Firstly, there was no question of a truce on the day of our attack, nor after.

Contrast with these heroics about not damaging private property the action of the Liberals on Saturday night in bursting open the door of a warehouse in Drummond Street Court (which, they were warned, had nothing to do with our premises), dragging out and completely gutting £30 worth of goods.

Leading Article in "The Scotsman," 17th October 1908.

RECTORIAL elections in the Scottish Universities are the effervescence of politics. It is the peculiar privilege of those who take part in them to revive the practices of Eatanswill, and to raise more than the dust of controversy. But with this exuberance there is also at times gravity becoming large issues, and that **gravity finds most appropriate expression in the deliberate selection of prominent politicians as protagonists in the contests. When candidates are chosen for other reasons than political, a rectorial election is apt to miss fire.** There have been exceptional occasions when this could not be said. Carlyle defeated Disraeli by 657 to 310 in 1866. But nothing like this contest has been seen since. **Professor Osler's admirers cannot venture any comparison with that soul-stirring fight to justify their intrusion at this time. For their action is that of intruders.** This is said with ready admission of Professor Osler's professional eminence. His reputation is so great that it gained for him some years ago a prospect of serving Edinburgh University in another way. Before he went to Oxford many desired that he should come to our University to occupy a medical chair. **But the scientific attainments that are fitly rewarded with a professoriate are not exactly the qualities looked for in a Lord Rector.** Elections like those which are now in progress in Edinburgh and Glasgow are, so to speak, an extra-mural course of political education. They engage the fresh intelligence of the student in Parliamentary and constitutional affairs; they strengthen the outfit of principles, without appreciation of which good citizenship is impossible. **Professor Osler must, therefore, be ruled out; the students who give their votes to him will do what they can to deprive the election of its peculiar salt.** Of Mr Keir Hardie it is hardly necessary to say that his appearance at Glasgow is scarcely less a freak than his apparition generally is. It would be unfair to besmudge him with personal affinity to Mr Grayson, whose antics again disturbed the House of Commons yesterday; yet his principles and his platform extravagances are virtually as revolutionary and foggy. **Both in Glasgow and in Edinburgh the fight lies between Unionism and Radicalism; between moderation and its opposite; between principles that are capable of definition and confusion of ideas which is ever increasing.**

It is an interesting and fortunate coincidence that at Glasgow, as well as Edinburgh, the Unionists have for representatives politicians who are conspicuously associated with the distinctive policy which gave the party its birth. Mr Wyndham and Lord Curzon have done much for liberty and the Empire. One stood by Mr Balfour's side when he was struggling with the organisation of crime in Ireland which aspired to universal tyranny; he has been active in devising the constructive measures which are now eating into the vitality of extreme Nationalism. **Mr Wyndham was, no later than Thursday, hailed by one of his strongest opponents, Mr William O'Brien, as the regenerator of Irish agrarian life.** His Land Act has become so essential to the well-being of the Irish farmer that Mr Asquith is told that if it be impaired Ireland will be darkened with the gloom of deep discontent and even despair. **If there are students who are being persuaded that politics mean, in these days, obscure contention about things that do not greatly concern the State, let them recall Ireland and the work of Mr Wyndham there, and they will convince themselves that the questions at issue between the two parties are of highest moment.** Lord Curzon's brilliance as an Imperial statesman cannot be told in few words. All his public work has been in the widest sphere of influence. On the other side what is the plea? **Mr Lloyd-George and Mr Churchill are the two fiery colts of the Government. Let not the undergraduates think to "break" them; they kick, and generally without care where their heels go.** One of them was plunging at the other only last week. Mr Lloyd-George has become too much like Mr Grayson for Mr Churchill's taste; the President of the Board of Trade thinks that there is not much sense in railing against rich men, as the Chancellor of the Exchequer has been doing. The latter should therefore be disowned even by Moderate Liberals in Glasgow; the former, notwithstanding his unusual sobriety at Dundee, is ever flitting about from one desperate idea to another, like one of Dante's lost souls. Now he is a Socialist, as when he exclaimed in the House of Commons that the State might well limit the hours of all labour; again he is a Collectivist in railway policy; then he is a Home Ruler, who would put Ireland in front of everything else; and again an elastic politician of the American type, eager to bid for votes in whatever mart. **The only excuse for Mr Churchill is that he is not much worse than his colleagues in this chameleon Cabinet. In the record of the last three days the students will find redundant reasons for disowning the Government he represents.** They might resent the suggestion that they are particularly interested in the decision of yesterday, which rivets the time limit on the Licensing Bill and makes final the determination of the Government that the licenseholder shall be constrained, during the next fourteen years, to take from £6,000,000 to £10,000,000 annually out of the pockets of his customers in increased price of beer. But they will, at any rate, appreciate the vagaries of a Government whose leader says that the principle of local veto means, in one form, true Radicalism, while in another form it is only a misty abstraction; and that in dealing with two similar requests for conference on public affairs it is reasonable to use the same reason to defend two entirely opposite decisions. **Mr Churchill and Mr Lloyd-George do not stand on personal achievements, for they have as yet done little in public affairs,** and as for the record of their party, it might have moved Shakespeare to say that some politicians are even "scurvier" than he depicted them.

The Ace of Trumps.

Magazine of the Edinburgh University Rectorial Representation Committee.

No. IV. *Published at its Committee Rooms at Drummond Street Court. Tuesday, 20th October* 1908.

Dr Osler's Works.

We are making a hazardous experiment. We have been warned that in a time of Rectorial excitement one witty poem is worth six pages of what is commonly described as "heavy stuff." With some men this may be true, but we refuse to believe that it applies to the whole of the University.

We believe that there is a large portion of the academic electorate that is more sensitive to what is true, and fine, and great, than to the passing success of an electioneering witticism.

For this reason we publish a few extracts from addresses delivered by Dr Osler on various occasions, mostly to student audiences.

It is impossible to do justice to any thinker by so scrappy a selection of gleanings, but it will at any rate afford men some glimpse of the mind of our candidate. It will show them that he whom we propose for their suffrage is no conventional bookworm, no tin-god in a professorial niche, but a man of fine temperament and wide culture: a man who knows the student's mind, the student's point of view; a man who has a nice contempt for the red-tapeism of life and education; a man of catholic taste and lofty ideals, who is in a way the embodiment of that culture with which we all desire our Alma Mater to be identified. Surely such a man is better fitted by temperament and training to be the mouthpiece of the undergraduates than an indifferent English nobleman, be his manners ever so fine, or a pert young man in a hurry who knows nothing of Universities, and cares less.

Osler on Universities.

"But it is a secondary matter, after all, whether a school is under State or University control, whether the endowments are great or small, the equipments palatial or humble; the fate of an institution rests not on these; the inherent, vital element, which transcends all material interests, which may give to a school glory and renown in their absence, and lacking which, all the 'pride, pomp, and circumstance' are vain—this vitalising element, I say, lies in the men who work in its halls, and in the ideals which they cherish and teach."—*Æquanimitas.*

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"The aim [of a University] should be to have these departments in the charge of men who have, first, enthusiasm, that deep love of a subject, that desire to teach and extend it, without which all instruction becomes cold amd lifeless; secondly, a full and personal knowledge of the branch taught—not a second-hand information derived from books, but the living experience derived from experimental and practical work in the best laboratories. . . . Men are required who have a sense of obligation, that feeling which impels a teacher to be also a contributor, and to add to the stores from which he so freely draws."—*Æquanimitas.*

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"There is a great need in colleges of men who are thinkers as well as workers—men with ideas, men who have drunk deep of the astral wine, and whose energies are not tapped by the treadmill of the classroom."—*Æquanimitas.*

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"Perfect happiness for student and teacher will come with the abolition of examinations, which are stumbling-blocks and rocks of offence in the pathway of the true student."—*After Twenty-five Years.*

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"The question may be asked whether, as Professors, we do not stay too long in one place. It passes my per-

simmon to tell how some good men—even lovable and righteous men in other respects—have the hardihood to stay in the same position for twenty-five years. To a man of active mind, too long attachment to one college is apt to breed self-satisfaction, to narrow his outlook, to foster a local spirit, and to promote senility."—*Farewell Address to Johns Hopkins University.*

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"There remains now to foster that indefinite something which, for want of a better term, we call the University spirit, a something which a rich institution may not have, and with which a poor one may be saturated, a something which is associated with men and not with money, which cannot be purchased in the market or grown to order, but which comes insensibly with loyal devotion to duty and to high ideals, and without which 'Nehushtan' is written on the portals of any school of medicine, however famous."—*Teaching and Thinking.*

No man could have written the above—and they are merely haphazard gleanings from Osler's works—who was not a man deeply imbued with academic spirit, deeply versed in all things that pertain to the life and being of a University, deeply sympathetic with the outlook and temperament of students.

Could Wyndham have written that, or Churchill? Could either translate these fine academic ideals into facts, things of usefulness and life to our own University?

And for an idea of the bond of sympathy and understanding that unite Osler to his students, read this fine passage from "The Student Life":—

"But as I speak, from out the memory of the past there rises before me a shadowy group, a long line of students whom I have taught and loved, and who have died prematurely—mentally, morally, and bodily. To the successful we are all willing and anxious to bring the tribute of praise, but none so poor to give recognition to the failures. From one cause or another, perhaps because, when not absorbed in the present, my thoughts are chiefly in the past, I have cherished the memory of many young men whom I have loved and lost. *Io victis!* let us sometimes think of the vanquished! Let us sometimes think of those who have fallen in the battle of life, who have striven and failed, who have failed even without the strife.

"How many have I lost from the student band by mental death, and from so many causes—some stillborn from college, others dead within the first year of infantile marasmus, while mental rickets, teething, tabes, and fits have carried off many of the most promising minds. To the teacher-nurse it is a sore disappointment to find at the end of ten years so few minds with the full stature, of which the early days gave promise.

"Still, so widespread is mental death that we scarcely comment upon it in our friends.

"The real tragedy is the moral death which, in different forms, overtakes so many good fellows, who fall away from the pure, honourable, and righteous service of Minerva into the idolatry of Bacchus, of Venus, or of Circe.

"Against the background of the past these tragedies stand out, lurid and dark, and as the names and faces of my old boys recur (some of them my special pride), I shudder to think of the blighted hopes and wrecked lives, and I force my memory back to those happy days when they were as you are now, joyous, and free from care, and I think of them on the benches, in the laboratories, and in the wards—and there I leave them.

"Less painful to dwell upon, though associated with a more poignant grief, is the fate of those whom physical death has snatched away in the bud or blossom of the student life. These are among the tender memories of the teacher's life, of which he does not often care to speak, feeling, with Longfellow, that the surest pledge of their remembrance is 'the silent homage of thoughts unspoken.' As I look back, it seems now as if the best of us had died, that the brightest and keenest had been taken, and the more commonplace among us had been spared. An old mother, a devoted sister, a loving brother, in some cases a broken-hearted wife, still pay the tribute of tears for the untimely ending of their high hopes, and in loving remembrance I would mingle mine with theirs."

Various Extracts.

"At the outset do not be worried about this big subject—Truth. It is a very simple matter if each one of you starts with the desire to get as much of it as possible. No human being is constituted to know the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth; and even the best of men must be content with fragments, with partial glimpses, never the full fruition. In this unsatisfied quest the attitude of mind, the desire, the thirst (a thirst that from the soul must rise), the fervent longing, are the be-all and the end-all."—*The Student Life.*

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"Occasionally we do find an individual who takes to toil as others to pleasure, but the majority of us have to wrestle hard with the original Adam, and find it no easy matter to 'scorn delights and live laborious days.'"—*Teacher and Student.*

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". . . the following sentence you will find the alpha and omega of practical medicine. . . . 'The knowledge

AN OPEN LETTER TO LIBERALS.

LIBERAL STUDENTS,

You have been told by Mr Churchill's canvassers that every vote given to Osler is a vote for Wyndham, and it has been insinuated that the Osler candidature is an attempt on the part of Conservatives, Socialists, and a few disloyal Liberals to disintegrate the Liberal vote.

We do not profess to know other people's motives; our own as Liberals on Dr Osler's Committee are quite clear. We are as loyal to Liberalism as ever. We are as loyal followers of the Liberal leaders in general, and Mr Churchill in particular, as any of Mr Wales Cameron's entourage. Some of us fought for Mr Winston Churchill in Dundee and in North-West Manchester, and we are ready to do so again when occasion offers. **But we do not conceive that in the exercise of his duties a Lord Rector has scope either for the application or the slighting of those great political principles that are common to all Liberals.**

That being so, we are bound to consider Mr Churchill on this occasion, not in his capacity as a Liberal leader, not indeed as a Liberal at all, but as plain Mr Winston Churchill. As such we find that he possesses not a single one of the requisite qualifications.

Educated at Harrow and Sandhurst, he has never had any connection with any University. How then can we expect from him an intelligent and experienced understanding of the complex problems of University affairs in the discussions on which he would have to represent the interests of the students?

He will learn his duties and attend the Court, do you say?

How can he? **He is head of a great Government Department, member for a large industrial constituency with a thousand claims upon his time and his attention, one of the chief debating assets of his party in the House of Commons, constantly in demand for platform speeches and all manner of social functions throughout the land. Can you expect him with the best will in the world to attend the University Court and fight for your interests there?**

On the other hand, even did we think Mr Wyndham likely to make a better Rector which we emphatically do not — we could not, so long as it was a purely party fight, desert the Liberal flag. But now that there is submitted to the electors a man about whose politics we know little and care less, but a man of lifelong academic training and experience, a man of great scientific achievements, and of world-wide renown, fit in every way to represent the Students, and to preside over the Court, we feel that we are perfectly justified in supporting him and in asking you to do the same.

The essence of those principles of political liberty that are at the base of Liberalism is Representative Government. Is it not a mockery of those principles to send up to represent you in the University Court a man who cannot know, who does not profess to know anything about University affairs?

No party can thrive lastingly that degenerates into a small self-advertising clique or a mere inanimate machine; you can prevent the Liberal party in the University from falling into either of these pits by showing its officials that you have still some independence of thought, soundness of judgment, and allegiance to true political freedom by working and voting for Dr Osler.

For THE LIBERAL MEMBERS OF THE R.R.C.

H. J. DARNTON-FRASER.
IAN CAMERON, M.A.
GEORGE CARR, B.A.
NEIL MACLEAN, M.A.
ROBERT S. STEVENSON.

which a man can use is the only real knowledge, the only knowledge which has life and growth in it, converts itself into practical power. The rest hangs like dust about the brain or dries like rain-drops off the stones.'"—*Books, Libraries, and Medical Societies.*

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"Breathes there a man with soul so dead that it does not glow at the thought of what the men of his blood have done and suffered to make his country what it is? There is room, plenty of room, for proper pride of land and birth. What I inveigh against, is a cursed spirit of intolerance, conceived in distrust and bred in ignorance, that makes the mental attitude perennially antagonistic, even bitterly antagonistic, to everything foreign, that subordinates everywhere the race to the nation, forgetting the higher claims of human brotherhood."—*Chauvinism and Medicine.*

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"Start at once a bedside library and spend the last half-hour of the day in communion with the saints of humanity. There are great lessons to be learned from Job and from David, from Isaiah and St Paul. Taught by Shakespeare, you may take your intellectual and moral measure with singular precision. Learn to love Epictetus and Marcus Aurelius. Should you be so fortunate as to be born a Platonist, Jowett will introduce you to the great master through whom alone we can think in certain levels, and whose perpetual modernness startles and delights. Montaigne will teach you moderation in all things, and to be sealed of his tribe is a special privilege."—*Address: The Master-Word.*

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"Thucydides it was who said of the Greeks that they possessed 'the power of thinking before they acted, and of acting too.' The same is true in a high degree of the English race. To know just what has to be done, then to do it, comprises the whole philosophy of practical life."—*Æquanimitas.*

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"Learn to love the freedom of the student life, only too quickly to pass away; the absence of the coarser cares of after-days, the joy in comradeship, the delight in new work, the happiness in knowing you are making progress. Once only can you enjoy these pleasures."—*The Master Word.*

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"And if the fight is for principle and justice, even when failure seems certain, where many have failed before, cling to your ideal, and, like Childe Roland before the dark tower, set the slug-horn to your lips, blow the challenge, and calmly wait the conflict."—*Æquanimitas.*

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"Not that we all live up to the highest ideas, far from it—we are only men. But we have ideals, which means much, and they are realisable, which means more."—*Teaching and Thinking.*

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"In the hospital we learn to scan our brother man, judging not, asking no questions, but meting out to all alike a hospitality worthy of the Hôtel Dieu, and deeming ourselves honoured in being allowed to act as its dispensers."—*Doctor and Nurse.*

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"A physician may possess the science of Harvey and the art of Sydenham, and yet there may be lacking in him those finer qualities of heart and head which count for so much in life."

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"But there is a still greater sacrifice which many of us make, heedlessly forgetting that 'man does not live by bread alone.' One cannot practise medicine alone, and practise it early and late, as so many of us have to do, and hope to escape the malign influence of a routine life. The incessant concentration of thought upon one subject, however interesting, tethers a man's mind in a narrow field. The practitioner needs culture as well as learning. The earliest picture we have in literature of a scientific physician, in our sense of the term, is of a cultured Greek gentleman; and I care not whether the young man labours among the beautiful homes on Sherbrooke Street, or in the slums of Caughnawauga, or in some sparsely settled country district, he cannot afford to have learning only. In no profession does culture count for so much as in medicine, and no man needs it more than the general practitioner, working among all sorts and conditions of men, many of whom are influenced quite as much by his general ability, which they can appreciate, as by his learning of which they have no measure . . . —What, I hear you say, has culture to do with them? Everything! It is the bichloride which may prevent the infection and keep the man sweet and whole amid the most debasing surroundings. Of very little direct value to him in his practice—though the poor have a pretty keen appreciation of a gentleman—it may serve to prevent the degeneration so apt to overtake the overworked practitioner, whose nature is only too prone to be subdued, like the dyer's hand, to what it works in. If a man does not sell his soul, if he does not part with his birthright of independence for the mess of pottage

to the Ishmaelites who harass our borders with their clubs and oppress us with their exactions; if he can only keep free, the conditions of practice are nowhere incompatible with St Paul's noble Christian or Aristotle's true gentleman."—*Address on Sir Thomas Browne.*

The Master-Word.

"It seems a bounden duty on such an occasion to be honest and frank, so I propose to tell you the secret of life as I have seen the game played, and as I have tried to play it myself.

"You remember in one of the 'Jungle' stories that when Mowgli wished to be avenged on the villagers he could only get the help of Hathi and his sons by sending them the master-word. This I propose to give you in the hope—yes, in the full assurance—that some of you, at least, will lay hold upon it to your profit.

"Though a little one, the master-word looms large in meaning. It is the 'Open Sesame' to every portal, the great equaliser in the world, the true philosopher's stone which transmutes all the base metal of humanity into gold. The stupid man among you it will make bright, the bright man brilliant, and the brilliant student steady. With the magic word in your heart all things are possible, and without it all study is vanity and vexation.

"The miracles of life are with it; the blind see by touch, the deaf hear with eyes, the dumb speak with fingers. To the youth it brings hope, to the middle-aged confidence, to the aged repose.

"True balm of hurt minds, in its presence the heart of the sorrowful is lightened and consoled.

"It is directly responsible for all advances in medicine during the past twenty-five centuries. Laying hold upon it Hippocrates made observation and science the warp and woof of our art. . . . With it Virchow smote the rock, the waters of progress gushed out; while in the hands of Pasteur it proved a very talisman to open to us a new heaven in medicine and a new earth in surgery. Not only has it been the touchstone of progress, but it is the measure of success in everyday life.

"Not a man before you but is beholden to it for his position here, while he who addresses you has the honour directly in consequence of having had it graven on his heart when he was as you are to-day.

"And the master-word is Work."—*The Master-Word.*

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"The truth is no event in Keats' life so warmly commends him to us, or shows more clearly the robustness of his mind, than his attitude in this much discussed episode ('Endymion'). In the first place, he had a clear, for so young a man an extraordinarily clear, perception of the limitation of his own powers and the value of his work. The preface to 'Endymion,' one of the most remarkable ever written, contains his own lucid judgment. He felt that his foundations were 'too sandy,' that the poem was immature, feverish attempt, in which he has moved, as he says, from the leading-strings to the go-cart. Did any critic ever sketch with firmer hand the mental condition of a young man in transition?

"'The imagination of a boy is healthy, and the mature imagination of a man is healthy; but the space of life between, in which the soul is in a ferment, the character undecided, the way of life uncertain, the ambition thick-sighted; thence proceeds mawkishness, and all the thousand bitters which those men I speak of must necessarily taste in going over the following pages.'"

OSLER IS A MAN

1. Of academic training.
2. Of University experience.
3. Of great sympathy with students.
4. Of culture, eloquence, and wide reading.

OSLER

wants to do away with Examinations.

OSLER

Has leisure; he can attend every meeting of the Court. He will do so, and fight for your interests there.

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SPECIAL NUMBER

HOW OUR POLITICAL OPPONENTS WORK.

We have received a letter from Dr Osler in which he tells us that the Chief Conservative Whip (Sir A. Acland Hood, M.P.) has been endeavouring to induce him to retire from the Rectorial Contest. As the matter is of such grave import, we publish those parts of Dr Osler's letter which refer to this barefaced attempt at wire-pulling.

"DEAR SIR,

"I have a letter from ACLAND HOOD (the Conservative Whip, is he not?) suggesting that I should retire in favour of the Conservative candidate. I replied that I would mention it to the Committee. . . . . What does the Committee think? Personally I have no wish to retire.

"Sincerely yours,

"WM. OSLER."

We wired to Dr OSLER that withdrawal was out of the question.

Then the following wire was sent to Sir A. ACLAND HOOD:—

"Osler has informed me of your communication to him to retire from Rectorial Contest. At whose instigation was this request made?

"STOBIE,

"Sec., R.R.C., Univ. Union, Edinburgh."

His reply was a direct evasion and speaks for itself.

"Simply because I regard Triple Contest as most unwise.

"HOOD."

We then wired to Sir A. ACLAND HOOD :—

"Telegram received. At whose suggestion did you approach Professor OSLER?

"STOBIE."

No answer was received; none was expected.

We then wired to Sir A. ACLAND HOOD after full discussion had been held and advice taken :—

"Regret you have not thought fit to reply to my second telegram. In view of unsatisfactory reply to my first telegram, my Committee have no alternative but to publish our communications.

"STOBIE,
"Sec., R.R.C., Univ. Union, Edin."

Does Sir A. Acland Hood take so keen an interest in this Rectorial contest that he should have made this attempt on his own initiative? If not, at whose instigation did he act?

Is this fair play? Students of Edinburgh, draw your own conclusions, and

VOTE FOR OSLER.

SMOKER

TO-NIGHT

IMPERIAL HOTEL,

AT 8.

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ALMA MATER.

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THE IDEAL LORD RECTOR.

At the dinner held in connection with the opening of the Union Extension two years ago, Mr J. B. Forbes-Watson, who was President of the Union, and President also of the Conservative Association, made the remark, which was loudly cheered, "Mr Haldane is the most popular Lord Rector Edinburgh has ever known."

This is no exaggeration. Mr Haldane took a keen interest in the social and corporate life of the University. He came to Edinburgh two days after his election to set about the duties of the Rectorship. His visit was private, and only a few men, who were about, noticed the Lord Rector and Sir William Turner going round the old class-rooms, after having had a conference in Sir William's sanctum.

Not long after Mr Haldane attended the Liberal banquet, where he delivered a great speech—declared by one of his colleagues to be the best he had ever delivered—on the part a University is destined to play in national life. When we add that Mr Haldane occupied a box during a Students' Night at "The Little Michus," was present at the opening of the Union, delivered not only a Rectorial Address but a speech on the formation of an Officers' Training Corps, and paid two special visits to the Women's Union, it will be recognised that he at least took a keen interest in University affairs. It was mainly through his efforts that the new S.R.C. offices were given to the Council.

As a Privy Councillor and a member of the Cabinet, Mr Haldane was able to help Edinburgh on several important occasions. When the new Medical Ordinance was being opposed by Glasgow, Mr Haldane made short work of the opposition. Again, he safely steered the Arts Ordinance through the Privy Council in face of opposition from the three other Scottish Universities. If any one doubts what Mr Haldane did for Edinburgh let him speak to any Professor of another University, who will admit with some feeling that by his efforts our University scored all round.

Now, what can Mr Churchill do?

A new Scottish Universities Bill is to be introduced by the Government. That Bill will be drafted by the Cabinet. If Mr Churchill is your Lord Rector, he will be able to conserve the interests of the University, keeping in touch with Sir William Turner, and representing the views of the University to the Cabinet.

Neither Mr Wyndham nor Dr Osler can render the slightest assistance in this measure.

Mr Wyndham could only act as a critic in the House of Commons and Dr Osler's influence in legislation is simply *nil.*

The ideal Lord Rector is one who, like Mr Haldane, takes a keen interest in students' affairs and is able to fight on behalf of the University in the Privy Council and in the Government. Mr Churchill has great influence in the Cabinet and the Council, and he is still young enough to be deeply interested in students.

MR WYNDHAM AND THE WAR.

From 1898 to 1900 Mr Wyndham was Under-Secretary of State for War. The period was an important one, because the South African War broke out in the midst of it. As the representative of the War Office in the House of Commons, Mr Wyndham held a position of great responsibility. It was his duty to advise the House on the contingencies which might occur, and to obtain the funds necessary for the equipment of an army adequate for the defence of the British territories in South Africa. When the evidence which is presented below has been examined, it will be seen that Mr Wyndham signally failed in the discharge of his duties, and that his failure involved a terrible cost to the nation in life and money.

The Warnings.

It is idle to say that Lord Lansdowne and Mr Wyndham were not warned on the seriousness of the position in South Africa. As early as October 1896, Sir John Ardagh informed the War Office that the Transvaal was spending enormous sums on military preparations, and declared that "**this large expenditure can have no other explanation than an anticipation of war, or an intention of aggression against this country and its supremacy in South Africa.**"

In June 1899, Sir William Butler, who was commanding in South Africa, addressed letters to the War Office—some of them to Mr Wyndham himself—reminding him of a series of letters and telegrams which he had sent after the Bloemfontein Conference, and added—"**I think I am within**

the meaning of those communications, when I aver that the gravity of the warnings therein given could not easily have been greater."

The War Commission's Condemnation.

The warnings were distinct enough, but the preparations for war which should have followed them were not pushed forward. What was the state of things when the war broke out? The Royal Commission on the War, after examining all the circumstances of the case, has spoken with no uncertain voice on the chaotic condition of the military arrangements in South Africa. They condemned the heads of the War Office (Mr Wyndham included) for pursuing a policy which resulted in **the neglect for all practical purposes of the work of the Intelligence Department.**

Lord Roberts' Indictment.

Lord Roberts gave some important evidence. He condemned the War Office—

For not providing a suitable Transport Department.

For failing to provide an adequate supply of Mounted Infantry.

For "underestimating the possible strength of the enemy, the magnitude of the theatre of war, and consequently the number of troops that would be required for long lines of communication."

For "neglect to supply the army with a proportion of heavy artillery, sufficiently mobile to accompany the troops in the field."

For the want of suitable maps.

This damaging criticism was endorsed by the War Commission. It reveals an almost incredible neglect on the part of the heads of the War Office to make the most ordinary provisions for the equipment of the army. But it does not exhaust the tale of blunder.

In his evidence Lord Roberts stated that **"when Sir George White arrived in Natal he had no instructions in regard to the wishes of the Government as to any particular plan of campaign, nor was he aware of any general plan of operations in South Africa."**

The Want of Forethought.

Sir John French, whose sagacity as a strategist no one will dispute, expressed the opinion that "the addition to the force in Natal of a brigade of 5,000 men would have turned the scale in the operations after the battle of Elandslaagte." The War Commission commented severely on the fact that these men had not been sent to Natal.

"It certainly appears now that with a greater amount of forethought in arrangements generally, in the provision of stores and equipment, and with the addition of perhaps another brigade, the situation in Natal might have been so strengthened that the whole course of the war must have been altered."

A Terrible Responsibility.

Upon whom does the responsibility for these disastrous blunders fall? Upon Lord Lansdowne and Mr Wyndham. It was they who neglected the warnings of the Intelligence Department, who ignored the appeals for reinforcement in South Africa until it was too late, who sent out generals to conduct a great war with no plan of campaign, no maps, and without sufficient guns. And yet a small effort would have saved the situation! As Lord Rosebery eloquently expressed it—"How much was wanting, yet how little might have done!"

And what was the result?—

5,774 officers and men killed;
22,829 wounded;
16,168 died of wounds or disease;
75,430 sent home sick, some of whom died;
£250,000,000 lost.

The cost was a terrible one. We cannot believe that the students of the University will give their votes to one of the two men mainly responsible for such a catastrophe.

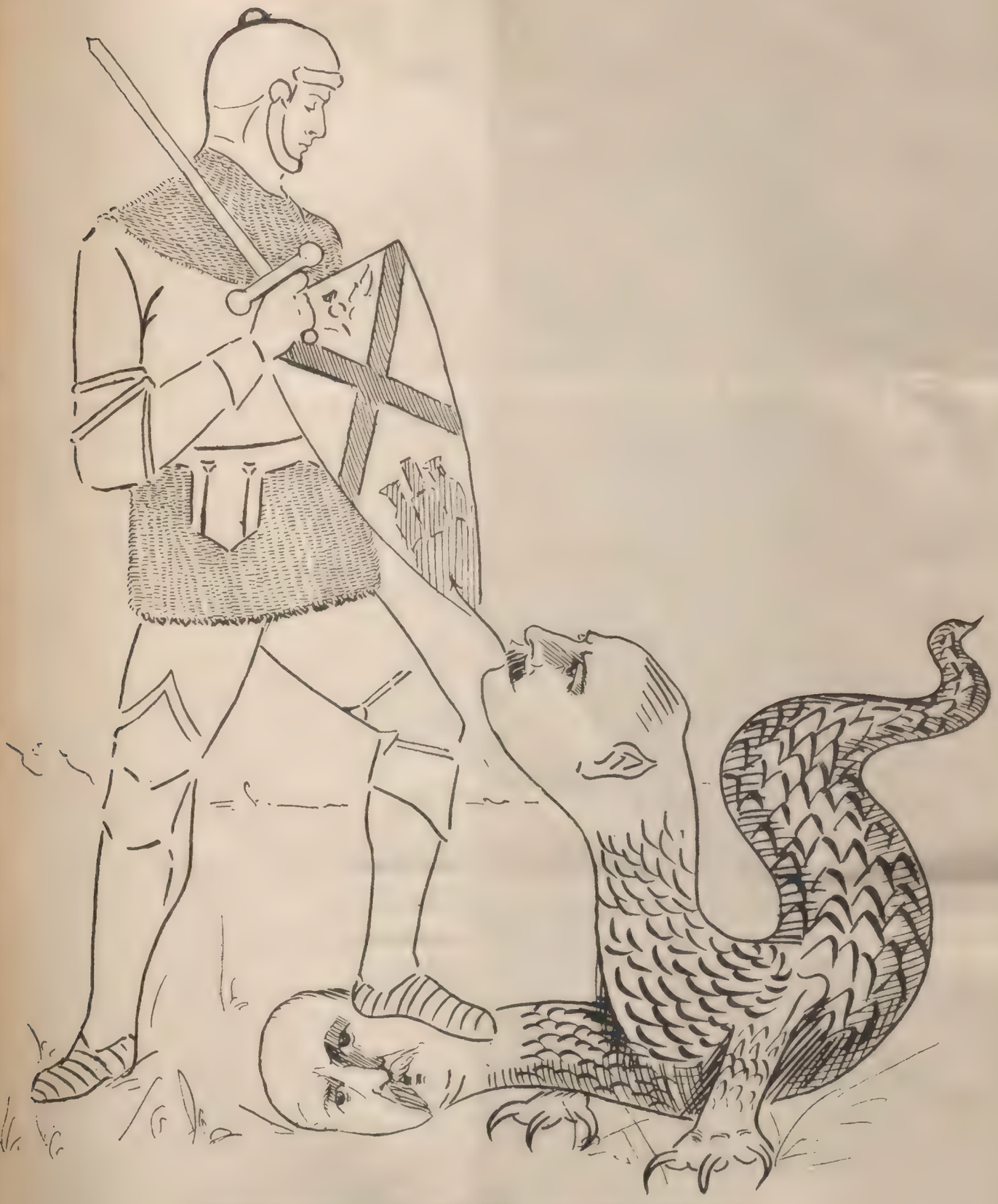
OXFORD WILLIE.

Of all the men they thought so smart,
There's none like Oxford Willie;
He could not play the Rector's part,
And asking him was silly.
There is no Prof. in all the land,
Should ever do like Willie;
He could not play the Rector's part,
And asking him was silly.

We have Professors of our own,
And we admire and love 'em;
We don't want them to sit and moan,
While Willie rules above 'em.
But Fuzzy thought that he would get
Some fame through Oxford Willie;
Though he can't play the Rector's part,
And asking him was silly.

The R.R.C.—so strangely named—
Knew scarce a thing of Rectors;
They held a meeting, and proclaimed
That Will would find electors.
But students let poor Fuzzy tout,
And threw out Oxford Willie;
He could not play the Rector's part,
And asking him was silly.

On Saturday the Oslerites were on the pole, on Saturday the 24th they will be up a pole and down in the poll.



WINSTON SLAYS "THE MONSTER, UGLY AND VENOMOUS"

WHY YOU SHOULD ELECT A PRIVY COUNCILLOR.

Many students are complaining that they do not understand the duties of the Lord Rector. We propose to remove the complaint, and explain the position which he holds in the University.

By the Universities (Scotland) Act the office was created. The University Court, consisting of the Rector, the Principal, and a certain number of Assessors, was constituted. The powers formerly exercised by the Town Council were transferred to this body. It was to control the administration of University property, and to promote Ordinances on behalf of the University. The election of the Lord Rector, who was to be the chairman of this body, was entrusted to the students.

In the same Act the teaching arrangements of the University were placed in the hands of the Professors, who formed the Senatus Academicus.

The procedure, which has been followed in the passing of new Ordinances, has been as follows:—

1. The Senatus recommends the adoption of the proposed reform.

2. The University Court considers the proposed Ordinance.

3. The University Court communicates the draft Ordinance to the Privy Council.

4. The Lord Rector urges the adoption of the draft Ordinance, represents the opinion of the University, and meets objections which may be urged against it in the Privy Council.

It will be seen that the University has in the past relied upon the Lord Rector to promote its interests in the Privy Council. *At the present moment the Lord Rector is the only member of the Privy Council, who is directly in touch with the work of the University Court.* He is, therefore, the only direct means of communication between the Council and the Court. Such intimate connection has been of infinite advantage to the University.

Will the Students deprive the University of this advantage?

If they elect Dr Osler a great advantage will be lost. Every student who votes for Osler destroys the influence of his University. Mr Churchill has promised to use his powerful influence in the Privy Council on behalf of the University.

Every vote cast for Churchill furthers the interest of the University.

THE INJURED PRESIDENT.

We desire to express our deep regret that Mr Robertson, President of the Rectorial Representation Committee, was seriously injured in the great raid on the stronghold of the Oslerites last Saturday. We trust that he will soon have completely recovered. We have no sympathy with his objects, but we could not wish for a better opponent.

WINSTON WINS.

To the Tune of "Jingle Bells."

Come, fill your glasses all,
I'll give you chaps a toast;
Now, all together call
"For Churchill and his host."
We one and all have said
Our Rector he shall be,
And better never, never had
Our ancient 'Varsitee.

Fighting all the day;
We're fighting for our Churchill, and we're going to win the fray.
Fighting night and day,
And Churchill will be Rector, whate'er the Tories say.

Trussed up and laced in stays,
Poor Wyndham struts about,
The man whom Tories praise
With beery yell and shout—
A walking fashion plate
Devised by Gordon Grant
For catching votes, but wait—
They'll soon find out he can't.

Gurgle all the day;
Oh, what fun it is to sit and gurgle beer alway.
Gurgle till it's all away,
And Wyndham finds he'll have to come again some other day.

But sad is Osler's lot—
It hardly could be worse–
For he's got A. H. Scott
To fight with mighty Fuzz.
A motley crowd, indeed,
Finds shelter in their cave.
Oh, dire is that man's need
Who help from them doth crave.

For they're buzzing all the day,
Consulting how to make a raid and bear a broom away;
Oh, they're fuzzing all the way,
But they'll fuzz no more and buzz no more when Churchill wins the day.

MR WYNDHAM'S CAREER IN IRELAND.

The Tories are trying to make a great deal out of Mr Wyndham's record in Ireland. What was his record?

We are very familiar with the cry of the Conservatives in Union debates and on public platforms that the only means by which Ireland can be successfully governed is by a policy

of coercion. The chief feature of Mr Wyndham's tenure of the Chief Secretaryship was his complete abandonment of the Conservative policy. The Land Act, as every one knows, was famous merely because it contained the principles of the Land Bill of Mr Gladstone. The passing of it by Mr Wyndham's agency was the severest condemnation of the policy his party had followed for twenty years. The fame claimed by the Tories for Mr Wyndham is thus entirely due to his capitulation to his opponents.

It is noticeable that the Tories say nothing about his appointment of Sir Antony Macdonnell as Under-Secretary. The selection was condemned by the North of Ireland Unionists as a betrayal of their party. Mr Wyndham made a complete muddle of the appointment. He allowed Sir Antony to take a large part in the politics of the country, and did not object when the Cabinet of Mr Balfour censured him for acting in accordance with the wishes of the man who appointed him.

Finally, Mr Wyndham resigned in a singularly inept and quixotic fashion. Nobody ever knew exactly why he resigned, but all the circumstances of the case suggested that he feebly allowed himself to become the scapegoat of the Cabinet. Mr Wyndham's career in Ireland was a strange mixture of strength and weakness, and it fizzled out in an inglorious end.

WE DON'T WANT OSLER.

1. *Because a Professor of one University should not interfere in the affairs of another.*

2. *Because he is not a Privy Councillor, and can do nothing to secure the passing of University Ordinances.*

3. *Because he is not even a Member of Parliament, and would be helpless when legislation concerning the University is under discussion.*

4. *Because the Lord Rectorship is not merely a reward for academic attainment.*

A LITTLE KNOWLEDGE.

When Mr Robertson, President of Dr Osler's Committee, was injured on Saturday night, all the young medical bloods could be seen and heard vieing with one another in bravado. The injury, unfortunate in the extreme, was in the region of the knee, but we heard whispers of—"Yes, it really must be a Pott's fracture." "Quite so." While one second-year man, who had attended "John" for a week, was heard to say—"Aw! must be a Collis!" This should dispel any doubt as to what kind of medicals are voting for Osler. For not a man of the whole of the medical candidate's supporters could tell a severe bruise from a fracture!

AN AUCTION SALE.

The *Lord Rector* says: "Already we have over 1,200 votes pledged for Wyndham."

Fuzzy Fraser remarked: "We have secured promises of 800 votes."

On 24th October, at 12.15 o'clock, Fraser, Grant, & Co., auctioneers, will dispose of an enormous stock of unredeemed pledges.

The editor of the *Lord Rector* has concluded his last issue with the significant words, "*I don't thunk.*" He did not need to tell us that.

THE WINSTON CHORUS.

For it is Win-Win-Winston,
Winston is going to win, win.
We'll all go out for a lark, lark, lark,
A hefty old row in the dark, dark, dark,
That's the time for Tories,
Just before the night,
We'll leave not a man of the Oslerite clan,
For it's Win-Win-Winston.

CONCERT

By Unsuccessful Performers.

1. Duet - - - - - "O why left I ma Hame?"
Fuzzy (*bass*) and Stobie (*tender*).

2. Drum Extravaganza - - - "Drummed-Out."
L. G. Grant.

3. Song - - - "I'm ower Young to Marry Yet."
Dr W. Loser.

4. Recitation - - - - "Bairnies, Cuddle Doon."
K. Fraser.

5. Trumpet Solo - - - - - - - —
Jim Sirent.

6. Song - - - "I'm the Saftest o' the Family."
George Windbag.

7. Duet - - - - - - - "Good-bye."
Loser and Windbag.

8. Stable Dance - - - - - - - - —
Ostler's Committee.

9. Waltz Nightmare - - - - - - - - —
Conservative Committee.

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The Man of the Moment! Who is he?
Why, WINSTON CHURCHILL, of course.

Come and Toast his Health

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Music by the University Paderewski.
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Remember the Watchword:

"WINSTON WINS."

WINSTON WINS!

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Rectorial Magazine of the Edinburgh University Liberal Association.

No. 4. *Published at the Liberal Rectorial Rooms,* 1 *Drummond Street. Tuesday, 20th October* 1908.

EDITORIAL.

THE MAN WITH THE POWER.

It is now certain that the election will take place on Saturday, 24th October. As the fight has progressed the keenness of our supporters has increased. It is not to be supposed that Liberals will throw aside their political creed, when the Government is devoting itself to the work of educational reform and University improvement. Vote against Mr Churchill and you will censure the Government for having secured advantages for the University, and will retard them in their efforts to improve its position. But quite apart from the solid support of the Liberal students of all Faculties and of both sexes, Mr Churchill's towering personality continues to attract the admiration of many who are ardent Conservatives, to say nothing of those to whom party politics are but the by-play of life. Never before has there been such a powerful combination of forces working for Mr Churchill's return. There is no class of students in which he has not a considerable following. Why is this? It is because Mr Churchill is a man who has placed his great influence, brilliant intellect, determination, courage, and devotion to the highest ideals, unreservedly at the disposal of the students. He has the will to serve the University, no one else has the power.

MR STEAD AND WYNDHAM.

In one of their issues the Tories, with all the innocence of unborn babes, published a character sketch of Wyndham taken from the *Review of Reviews*. It is quite refreshing to find them endeavouring to bolster up their tottering candidate with quotations from "the ranting radicalism of Mr Stead." Of one thing, however, they are supremely ignorant. As Mr Stead himself expressed it, all these character sketches have been composed "with a determination to portray the man as he seems to himself at his best moments." At his best moments Mr Wyndham was nothing more than a squire. That is probably true. Mr Wyndham would be well advised to spend his life in the calm seclusion of his country house. The dizzy whirl of political life has already upset any ministerial dignity he had. Even the duties of the Lord Rector of Glasgow University have exceeded his capacities. Peace, Geordie, cuddle doun.

WHY EVERY STUDENT SHOULD VOTE FOR CHURCHILL.

As every student knew before, and as the Right Hon. Thomas Shaw, M.P., confirmed last week at Glasgow, the Government are at present considering the University question in Scotland. For the Lord Rector to have any influence at all in the legislation concerning the Universities, he must be a member of Parliament. Here one candidate is immediately disqualified, this being Professor Osler. Next, he must be a member of the Privy Council. The two candidates answering this qualification are Churchill and Wyndham.

But to be of the utmost use to the Universities of Scotland, it is absolutely essential that our Lord Rector should be a Cabinet Minister.

Mr Churchill is the only candidate who fulfils the last qualification, therefore, if you have the good of your University at heart,

VOTE FOR CHURCHILL.

DO YOU KNOW?

1. That when Mr Wyndham was Lord Rector of Glasgow University he treated the Students' Representative Council with great discourtesy by not replying to their communications.

2. That it was not until the very end of his term of office that he delivered his Rectorial address.

3. That it was only with the greatest difficulty that he could be persuaded to deliver an address at all.

Vote for Winston and Imperial Democracy.

4. That Mr Wyndham's Rectorial address was the poorest that has ever been delivered in Glasgow.

5. That Mr Wyndham did absolutely nothing to help the students of Glasgow to secure the extension of their Union although he was appealed to for assistance.

WILL YOU VOTE?

For a man who was the most unpopular Lord Rector ever known in Glasgow? No testimonials from Professors in Glasgow can make black white.

THE OSLERITE EPISODE.

The Liberal President Explains.

"A Personal Libel."

A full explanation of the somewhat extraordinary situation which arose in connection with the Edinburgh University Rectorial Election was made on Saturday evening at a smoking concert held by the Liberal party in the Imperial Hotel. The boisterous merriment associated with previous "smokers" seemed to be absent; and the hundred odd students who had gathered in little bands round the tables discussed the situation with all seriousness. Mr James Wales Cameron, President of the Liberal Association, occupied the chair. In the course of the evening he detailed all the circumstances connected with the friction between the Osler party and the Liberal supporters. The situation he described as one of the most disagreeable incidents which had occurred in the University during the time he had been there. No charge could be officially levelled at the head of the Liberal Association, and certainly none could be used against their candidate. (Applause.)

Charge against Himself.

The charge, he said, was entirely against himself. He wished to make the situation perfectly clear, the more so because he had noticed the following sentence in the newspapers:—

"Shortly after the appearance of the pamphlet a reply was published over the name of the Liberal President, and two officials of the Liberal Association consulted a well-known legal firm in Edinburgh, with the result that acting on the advice received, the Liberals have written to the chairman of Dr Osler's Committee, demanding a full apology within twenty-four hours, and an undertaking that the publication of the charges will be discontinued, while the right of further legal action is reserved."

He regarded the charge as one which merely affected himself, and if there was any culpability in the matter he took it all upon his own shoulders. Those who were called officials of the Liberal party, if they went to consult a legal firm in his name, did it, not because they were officials of the Liberal Association, but because they were his personal friends.

A Very Serious Charge.

The reply which he published was signed by himself. If he found that in that letter he had said anything that would damage the chances of the Liberal party, then he was prepared to take the necessary steps to see that the prejudice that might exist against himself would not injure the party's candidate. The charge against him was a very serious one, and whatever might be said of the story contained in the letter he was prepared to produce a number of witnesses who could swear that the story given in the letter was the one which they got from the woman concerned. (Cheers.) It could not be suggested that there was any plot between himself and any of his friends with the view of damaging the chances of Dr Osler; they would never descend to things like that. (Hear, hear.)

A Personal Attack.

His letter to the Osler Committee was written in perfect good faith, and they might take it from him that he did not fabricate the story. (Hear, hear.) He wrote the letter because the woman in question requested him to communicate with those responsible in order to secure no further damage being done to her property. It was not signed by himself as President of the Liberal Association; perhaps he ought to have been more careful and marked "private" on the letter. He was not so feeble an individual as to succumb to the explosions of spite of any party, and the Liberal Association was too large and powerful a body to be disturbed in the least by any threat fired at it. That pamphlet was issued to 3,000 students of the University, and though he had read it again and again, he could put no other construction upon it than that it had been framed as a personal attack upon himself. He had been given the reply of the Osler Committee, and it said that they could not find where the libel came in at all. (A voice—"Rubbish.")

Where the Libel came in.

If there was libel in it at all, he said, it came in because they had published a letter, written in good faith, without asking the writer's permission, and had referred to it as a "foul and slanderous fabrication." He demanded an apology. (Applause.) It had been suggested that he was guilty of deliberate mendacity. (Cries of "Shame.") There were a great many men in the University who thought that the personal element had gone too far—(hear, hear)—and it seemed to him that if these personalities were to be stopped very strong measures must be taken. (Applause.) When 3,000 students got a pamphlet like that published, it was not to be expected that his own reputation would stand just exactly where it did, and so when he demanded an apology within twenty-

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THE ETHICS OF THE OSLER COMMITTEE.

The Oslerite Committee refused to publish in their magazine a letter from the Master of Elibank, on which they based an accusation that the Liberal Association had invited half the Cabinet to stand for the Rectorship before asking Mr Churchill. This canard we have once and for all exploded. The interesting point (so far as the ethics of Professor Osler's Committee are concerned) is this, that they should publish, without the consent of the writer, a letter which was written in perfect good faith by the Liberal President regarding an episode which occurred during one of the raids.

With the unjust and unwarrantable comment made on this letter, we have dealt elsewhere. We call the attention of the constituency to the action of this Committee in shielding themselves from the consequences of their own fabrications, by citing a privilege which they refuse to extend to others. Addison, in a telling passage, has pointed the moral, which is likely to be useful to any who intend to have further dealings with the Oslerite Committee: "A common civility to an impertinent fellow often draws upon one a great many unforeseen troubles."

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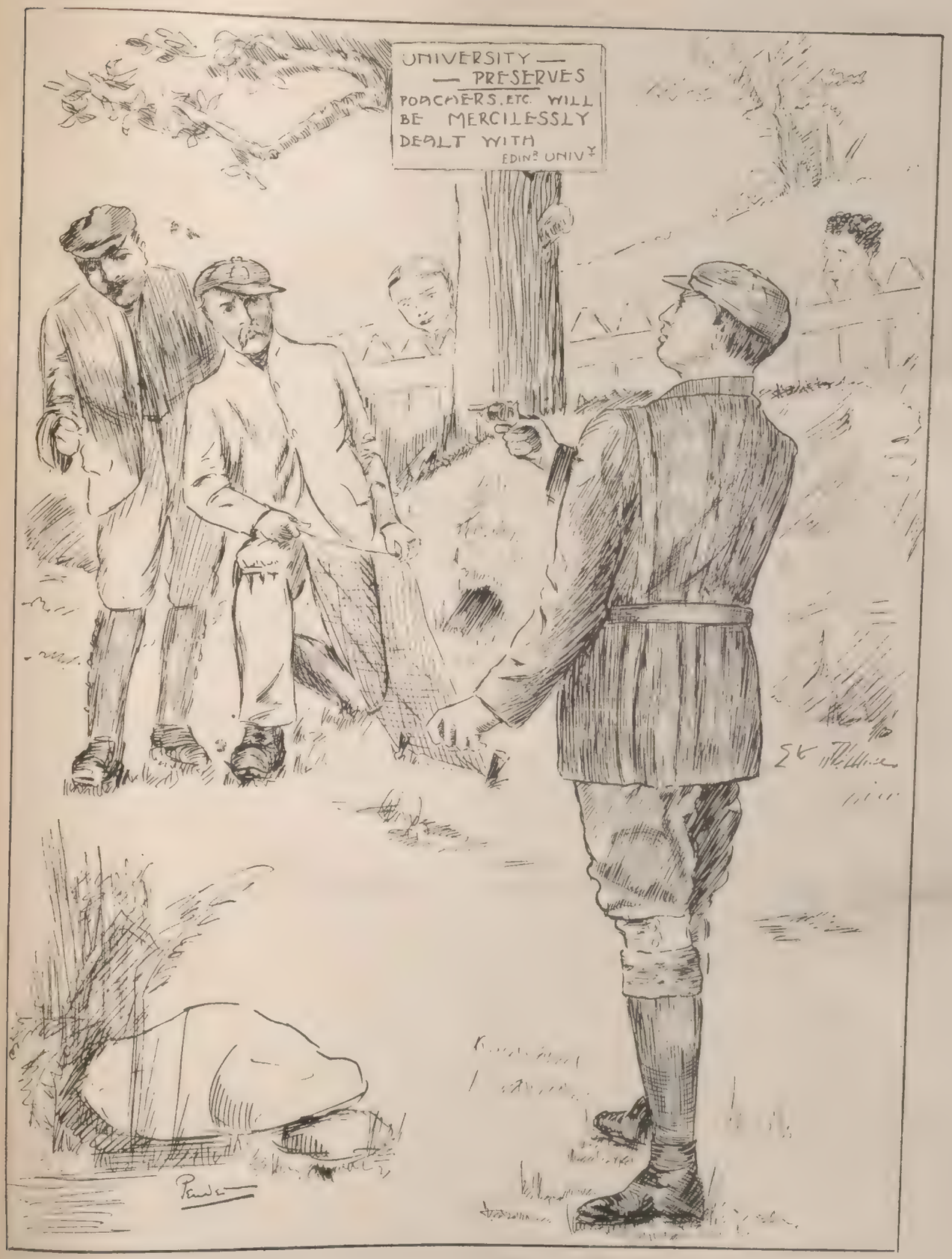

WINSTON DEFENDS UNIVERSITY PRIVILEGES.

four hours he demanded that these charges be withdrawn from circulation. He thought that was a perfectly reasonable demand. (Applause.) He would be singularly wanting in the ordinary qualities of self-respect did he not back up that demand in the strongest manner possible. (Applause.)

A Most Modified Statement.

He would be the last in the University to think for a moment of taking another student to law, and he would regret it intensely; but if his whole character was being impugned it was time that he took strong measures. (Applause.) If the charge was not intended to be against him, what was it intended to be against? he asked. He had been told that his statement was the most modified statement that had been made on the subject. He had also been told by the head of the Rectorial Representation Committee that the charge of fabrication was not intended to be levelled at him. If that was the case, then the writers had chosen a singularly injudicious way of framing the pamphlet. He fully accepted that apology. With that apology and with the promise that any charges that might have been unintentionally, perhaps, made against him would be withdrawn, he thought they might close the matter. (Applause.)

No discussion took place, and the disagreeable subject dropped. Music, song, and story, in addition to the consumption of liquid refreshment, made the evening enjoyable, and with the assistance of Mr Bert Harrow, a comedian from the Empire, the fun was kept going.

THE WINSTON PROGRAMME.

As our arrangements for this week are so numerous we publish the following programme for the benefit of Mr Churchill's supporters:—

Tuesday, 20th October. — Publications—*Alma Mater*, with cartoon and two new songs. Special pamphlet, "To Medicals only."

"Smoker" at 8 P.M. in the Imperial Hotel—Empire Artistes.

Wednesday, 21st October.—Special Sketch, "A Fearful Nightmare."

At 8 P.M.—Temperance Smoker in the Carlton Hotel.

Thursday, 22nd October.—Grand Double "Winston" Number of the *Alma Mater*.

At 7 P.M.—Churchill Parade and Gaudeamus under the auspices of the Edinburgh University Women's Liberal Association.

Friday, 23rd October.—Special Sketch, "A Famous Trial," and "Our Final Appeal."

At 6 P.M.—Winston Night at the Empire Theatre.

At 9 P.M.—"The Final Smoker" in the Imperial Hotel.

Saturday, 24th October—

Winston Churchill returned Lord Rector.

IMPORTANT.

We are informed that the Returning Officer, Principal Sir William Turner, has decided that in this election the University regulations regarding the voting on Saturday will be strictly adhered to, and that "certificates" for Matriculation Cards will not be accepted. At last election certificates were given to men who had forgotten their Matriculation cards, but this will be refused on Saturday.

Every voter must bring a Matriculation Card, and a Class Card, but the "pass" for Class Cards will be accepted.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Theatre-Goer.—We regret we cannot publish your article on "Wyndham." On inquiring at the Conservative Rooms we were assured that it is not Sir Charles Wyndham who is standing for the University.

E.U.A.D.C.—You are quite right. Mr Howard Wyndham is an excellent manager, but his reputation is in no way affected. Mr George Wyndham is at the root of the mischief among the Conservatives.

THE ACE OF TRUMPS.

A Modest Criticism.

It was upon an astounded University that a shower of literature, or we should prefer to say, printed matter, descended on Monday last. Taken off his guard the student involuntarily allowed the stuff to be foisted upon him; but how long it took the average undergraduate to realise that he was losing self-respect by the mere possession of such rubbish, could be gauged by one glance at the paper-strewn streets within a radius of one hundred yards of the Union.

We read it! And after perusing the Bæotic extravagances conceived by a besotted *badeau*, we were compelled to adjourn to a historic spot for refreshment.

To tabulate grammatical and other inaccuracies would fill this number from cover to cover; we will content ourselves with one or two of the more gross.

The first indication of trouble came upon us with alarming celerity. A bill in large letters was the offender.

"Prof. Osler's Campaign will formally open . . .
By a Great Smoker."

Well, well, the preposition is always difficult enough to catch the literary suckling! It only shows that novelty collects the empty brains, and that Professor Osler's Committee is composed of illiterate juveniles. Another glance confirmed our first hasty impression. We read, "The *personality* of our Committee has been attacked." Now, how in the world could any student write such terrible trash? How can a Committee have a personality? And in the very next sentence the unfortunate wielder of the pen contradicts his previous statement by admitting that we have no personality! "We might return the compliment if our opponents had any personality."

Vote for Winston and a Strong Navy.

Such self-stultification is painful to an educated man. These two examples will, we think, suffice to show the brains the Oslerites have at their command.

But to pass from the criticism of such schoolboy howlers, what has struck us ever since this non-political candidate was asked to stand for the Lord Rectorship, is this, how will the Edinburgh professors like a professor of another University to sit in the seat of honour and authority among them? How would the Glasgow or Aberdeen professors take it, were the students, at either seat of learning, to elect an Edinburgh professor as Lord Rector? It seems to us that the most disastrous thing possible to Edinburgh would be the election of Professor Osler or any other professor of any other University.

Internal harmony marks the Liberal party at this time, and we close by quoting from George Meredith's poem of that name:—

"Assured of worthiness we do not dread
Competitors."

OUR TELEGRAMS.

By some mistake some telegrams arrived at our Rooms yesterday. We print a selection:—

A. H. Scott, Drummond Court Stables, Edinburgh.—This correspondence must now cease.—Osler.

The President, Osler Committee Stables, Edinburgh.—Play the game, even if you lose.—Osler.

The President, Conservative Barracks, c/o Chief Constable Ross, Edinburgh.—Oblige me by stopping the publication of all literature concerning me. Am very annoyed. Your grammar is atrocious.—Wyndham.

Carr, Edinburgh.—Vote for Osler, American citizen.—Roosevelt.

Liberal Association, University, Edinburgh.—Churchill's strong Naval policy does not meet with our approval. My intentions are strictly dishonourable.—Wilhelm.

Mr Wyndham Osler, Edinburgh.—I will not vote for you. Winston's canvassers are much nicer. I don't care what I said. Please don't write.—Doris, 1st Year's Arts, Old Buildings.

NOTICE.

WE ask all those who are supporting Mr Churchill to hand in their names to any of the Liberal Officials.

There is work for ALL! No room for Slackers!

WINSTON MUST WIN.

Every Liberal is expected to do his duty.

WINSTON WINS.

The Whole Dress Part

of the

EMPIRE PALACE THEATRE

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TO MEDICALS ONLY.

THREE years ago you elected the Right Hon. R. B. Haldane as your Lord Rector. In that election the Liberal Association made certain promises, on behalf of Mr Haldane, as to what he would do to further the interests of the Edinburgh Medical School. All those promises have been fulfilled. This is admitted by all parties.

The New Ordinance with regard to the "Final" was opposed by the University Court of Glasgow, and was carried, owing to Mr Haldane's influence, in spite of this opposition.

The issue to-day, so far as the future of our Medical School is concerned, is far graver. The Cabinet are drafting new legislation for the Scottish Universities, in which the whole subject of the distribution of University grants is to be reconsidered.

It is here that political influence counts. You want as Lord Rector a man who can influence the Government in the interest of the Edinburgh Medical School, and who will fight your battle when controversial points are raised in the Privy Council or in the Cabinet.

The three other Scottish Universities will make every effort to hamper their most powerful competitor—the University of Edinburgh.

Dr Osler has no political influence whatsoever.

Mr Wyndham is in opposition, and can have no influence with the Cabinet. Further, he has been Lord Rector of Glasgow University, which is fighting Edinburgh.

Mr Churchill is the only Cabinet Minister who can and will, as Lord Rector, protect the supremacy of this University when legislation is being drafted by the Cabinet.

Every student of Medicine who appreciates what Mr Haldane did, and who considers the interest of a world-famed School, will vote, irrespective of party, for the man who can do most for the University—

The Right Hon. WINSTON CHURCHILL.

WINSTON WINS.

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There [illegible]
He is [illegible]

Chor[illegible]

Poor [illegible]
And [illegible]
So th[illegible]

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Just a few only; without them we'd feel lonely.
Tall girls, short girls, brown eyes or blue,
Send them along, you can't do wrong;
A few of these girls will do.

For its Win—Winston.
Out of Fuzzy they'll tear
What remains of his hair,
For its Win—Winston.
Now old Wyndham's a man whom the Glasgow folk hate,
And the Doctor in Oxford is sitting in state,
So the students will very soon settle their fate,
For its Win—Winston.

Chorus.

Now we'll call on the clan,
And we'll carry our mae,
It is Win—Winston.
He's the best of the lot,
And he'll go to the top,
For its Win—Winston.
He declares that the Empire must have a great fleet,
He will work for the man who's alone on the street,
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THE WINSTON BATTLE SONG.

Air—In the Twi-Twi-Twilight.

When we come to the poll,
He'll be first on the roll,
It is Win-Win-Ston.
And the boys all will say
He has carried the day,
It is Win-Win-Ston.
There's a name that is known in the thick of the fight,
There's a man who has fought for the Truth and the Light,
He is leading to-day in the fight for the Right,
It is Win-Win-Ston.

Chorus—

It is Win-Win-Winston,
Winston is going to win, win,
We're all going out for a lark, lark, lark,
A hefty old row in the dark, dark, dark,
That's the time for Tories,
Our armour now we'll don,
And we'll leave not a man of the Oslerite clan,
For its Win—Winston.

Now the Tories may swear
When the students declare
It is Win-Win-Ston.
We have nothing to fear
From their bluster and beer,
For its Win—Winston.
Poor old Wyndham is noted for being a sham,
And his game in old Ireland was simply Wyndham,
So the 'Varsity votes for the Liberal Man,
And its Win—Winston.

Chorus.

Doctor Osler will find
That his party is blind,
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Chorus.

Has anyone seen an Osler band,
Osler band, Osler band?
I've been looking about all up-on my own;
I've searched every street both near and far,
Yah, yah, yah!
We shall treat poor Will,
With his Oxford skill,
To a strong Scotch groan.

Send us a few more girls,
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Just a few only; without them we'd feel lonely.
Tall girls, short girls, brown eyes or blue,
Send them along, you can't do wrong;
A few of these girls will do.

. . The Fifth Great . .

LIBERAL SMOKER

TO-NIGHT,

IN THE

IMPERIAL HOTEL

At 8 o'clock.

The Star Artistes at the Empire will appear as usual.

Two New Rectorial Battle Songs will be introduced.

Vote for Winston and Imperial Democracy.

WINSTON WINS.

Supporters of Mr CHURCHILL, irrespective of party, are cordially invited.

Seats may be booked to-night for the Empire Theatre, on Friday. Stalls, 2s. 6d.; Dress Circle, 2s.

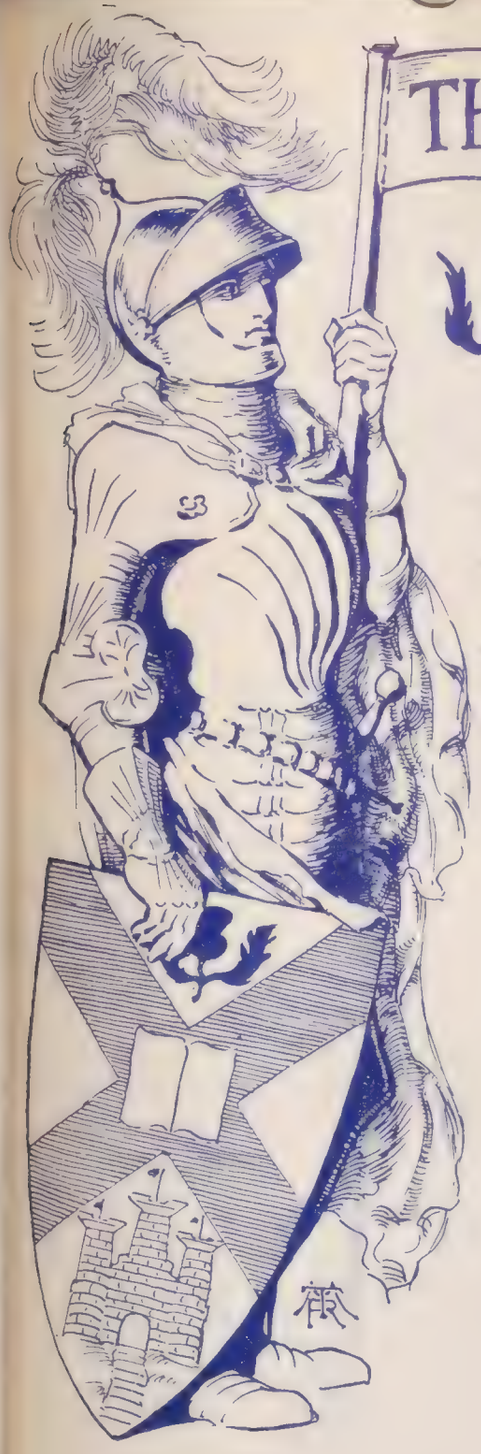
EXTRACTS FROM THE "ACE OF TRUMPS":

"The intended wrecking of the entire Conservative tenement . . . could not take place."

"The excellence of our Physical Force Brigade has inspired our opponents with a very wholesome fear."

"The Captain of Osler's Physical Force Brigade offers to hold a course of lectures on attack and defence."

"The methods of the Conservatives put us at considerable disadvantage. From such men it is useless to demand an apology."



THE LORD RECTOR

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY

Conservative Association Magazine

FOURTH NUMBER.] [*20th October* 1908.

"THE ISSUE."

We have read our opponent's leading article in the *Ace of Trumps* under the above title.

We differ with him, and for the following reasons:—

The issue is not such a simple one as he thinks. If the political tradition of the Rectorship is to be destroyed, the candidate must be a man of a very, very exceptional eminence. Professor Osler is not that man. Thomas Carlyle is the one case of a non-political Lord Rector. Is Professor Osler in the same "class" with Thomas Carlyle? Granted that his is a big name in Medicine and in the Universities of America, yet to the majority of Edinburgh students he is merely a name, and owing to the very vagueness of his reputation Professor Osler has become a sort of little tin god to many to whom both the man and his works were quite unknown a short fortnight ago. To tell us that Professor Osler "stands for humanity" is to make the man ridiculous. The sudden enthusiasm for Professor Osler of which the *Ace of Trumps* speaks is more due to novelty and engineered verbiage than to any real eminence of the man outside his profession.

The issue is also obscured by the very widespread feeling in the University that at all costs Winston Churchill must be kept out of the Rectorship; if that is to be done, it is Mr Wyndham alone that can do it. The election of 1905 was perhaps the most unfortunate of all recent elections to the party which supports him, yet in spite of large abstentions on the Conservative side, it carried 850 votes—almost half the votes polled: that may be regarded as a solid vote for Mr Wyndham—and in the heavier poll which is probable this year a small proportion of the votes wavering between Wyndham and Osler, if given to Wyndham, can keep Churchill out. Let them go to "the non-party man," and Winston walks in, or "Winston wins," as we are told almost hourly—a vote given to Dr Osler is a vote wasted.

Against both of these men we offer Mr George Wyndham. We regard him as the most fitting of the three candidates. He has filled offices against which criticism was levelled to an almost unprecedented degree. Has Dr Osler ever held a place where much criticism was ever possible except to a very limited extent? **Officially Mr Wyndham stands or falls with his party. Personally, as we have shown by quotations taken from political opponents only, he has come out with flying colours as a man of tact, ability, and sympathy.**

We have refuted, in our last and in other parts of our present number, the charges made against him as Rector of Glasgow.

Unlike both the other candidates, his literary distinction lies in work quite outside his ordinary vocations. He is a wider man: his literary fame is in the realms of pure literature, and not the medical biography and scientific theology of Dr Osler, or the tourist's adventures or biography of a father of Mr Churchill.

Moreover, he is a man after the heart of our Chancellor, Mr Arthur Balfour, "The closest of personal friends, they resemble each other in nearly every particular." What the enemies of George Wyndham say to-day, was said almost word for word of the weak Miss Fanny, the "dilettante" and "trifling" Secretary for Ireland of 1886, but the Chan-

cellorship of this "elder brother" and patron of Mr Wyndham is the pride of every Edinburgh student of to-day, irrespective of party.

VOTE FOR WYNDHAM.

THE "ACE OF TRUMPS'" APPEAL TO HISTORY.

NON-POLITICAL RECTORS IN THE PAST.

THE *Ace of Trumps* has appealed to history; we are well prepared to meet them there.

(*a.*) Thomas Carlyle beat Disraeli by 657 votes to 310 in 1865.

In 1865 Edinburgh was Liberal through and through, and in any case would have voted against Disraeli. **And is Dr Osler in the same class as Thomas Carlyle?**

Moreover, soon after a mass meeting of students declared against the experiment; in 1900, a motion at a Union debate in favour of a non-political Rector received three votes.

(*b.*) In 1883 Professor Blackie was a good second to Sir Stafford Northcote. This is the *Ace of Trumps'* version. **The facts are that Blackie was a very bad third, the figures being—Northcote, 1035; Trevelyan, 983; Blackie, 236.**

Moreover, Lord Randolph Churchill wrote with reference to Professor Blackie's candidature, strongly urging students to vote for the political man.

In a leading article in the *Scotsman*, 5th November 1883, written at the same time, the following occurs:—

"The men who decry the introduction of political considerations into Rectorial contests are in most cases mere charlatans knowing, it may be, one thing, but knowing nothing more, and living in an atmosphere of self-consciousness and self-conceit."

With reference to the same election, Mr W. E. Gladstone, himself twice Lord Rector, and one who looked on the Rectorship as a great political office, wrote as follows:—

THE LORD RECTORSHIP AND POLITICS.

HAWARDEN CASTLE,
CHESTER, 18*th October* 1883.

DEAR SIR,—I need hardly assure you that all my wishes and hopes will be with Mr Trevelyan in the coming election to the Rectorship of Edinburgh, **and I feel that his election will supply an appropriate and most gratifying recognition of his excellent services to the Crown and the country in a very arduous office. For my friend, Professor Blackie, I heartily desire every honour which a contest not political could confer on him. In this political contest, however, I fear that while it may be impossible for him to win,** his standing may have the effect of diverting votes from what you and I should call good causes, and thus of impairing, or worse than impairing, the expression of the sense of the University which he so long adorned. —With renewed good wishes, I remain, Your faithful and obedient W. E. GLADSTONE.

This proves that the Rectorship is regarded in the highest circles as a political office, and **almost every word that Mr Gladstone wrote of Professor Blackie in 1883 might to-day be written of Professor Osler.**

(*c.*) The *Ace of Trumps* gives other instances of non-political candidates. **Not one of them stood on his professional grounds alone.**

FOOTER AND FOOTLE.

POOR old Liberals! Everything seems to fight against them. It was a fine idea, but, like most Liberal schemes, went most disastrously agley!

On Saturday afternoon the throng of 'Varsity supporters left the stricken field of Craiglockhart crestfallen with defeat and smarting under the vociferous exultation of the High School crowd. This was bad enough to bear without having it "rubbed in" by the following placards which they found exhibited by half-a-dozen sandwichmen at the gate:—

GOOD OLD 'VARSITY!

'VARSITY, 12 Points.
R.H.S., 0 Points.

The 'Varsity are the coming Champions!
Vote for a Champion! Vote for Churchill!

But, alas! The score had been 'Varsity 8 points, R.H.S. 11 points, and the 'Varsity had been trounced in what was only their second match for the Championship. One draws a kindly veil over the screaming derision of the schoolmen, the mad exasperation of the students. No wonder they took it out of the boards and sandwichmen.

Another board will be exhibited in the Old Quad. at 12.15 on Saturday which also will announce to the world that the schemes of Cameron & Co. do not come off!

MR WYNDHAM, LORD RECTOR, AT GLASGOW.

THE opinion of a popular and distinguished Glasgow Professor, who is not Scott's Glasgow friend:—

"Among all the Lord Rectors we have had here for the ten years of my Professoriate I think I would put Mr Wyndham first. I never met a more charming man. I never saw the finest manners of the English nobleman more beautifully and more delightfully displayed. And I never heard any one speak with greater elegance of style or more excellence of matter.

"Moreover, he showed himself remarkably (and, to me, unexpectedly) sympathetic with things Scottish.

"It is too bad of your Edinburgh Liberals to say that he was either personally unpopular, or poor as a speaker. **The very reverse was the case."**

Mr H. G. B. Spens, an official of the Glasgow University Conservative Association during Mr Wyndham's Glasgow Rectorship, declares that Mr Wyndham made himself extremely popular with the students. After delivering his address he attended a "Smoker" in the Union, entered into the spirit of the students, told the most delightful and amusing anecdotes, and at his personal request his secretary sang a song.

Does this look like unpopularity?

Furthermore, after Mr Wyndham had ceased to be Lord Rector, he was specially invited to come back to Glasgow to address students, and he did so.

Does this look like unpopularity?

Moreover, after his Lord Rectorship expired, the Senatus Academicus specially recommended him for the highest honorary degree that the University can bestow.

Does this look like unpopularity?

In addition to this one of the speakers from Glasgow Union, who spoke at the Inter-debate here last winter, declared that Mr Wyndham was not only extremely popular, but that he delivered one of the finest addresses that had ever been delivered at Glasgow University.

Does this look like unpopularity?

The fact is that Mr Wyndham is simply unassailable as Lord Rector of Glasgow, and the **maligning of his Rectorship is due, as we said in our last number, to the heavy disappointment of the Liberal party at their first defeat after a long series of Liberal victories.**

ATTENDANCE AT THE UNIVERSITY COURT.

WE have already said that it is not the chief virtue of a Lord Rector to attend every meeting of the University Court.

The Editor of the *Ace of Trumps* states that Mr Wyndham attended one out of thirty meetings of the Court at Glasgow.

In 1905 Mr Haldane promised to attend every meeting of the Court. **Mr Haldane attended three of the thirty meetings in Edinburgh. Yet Mr Haldane, with his home near Edinburgh, could have attended meetings far more conveniently than most Lord Rectors: and he is admitted as one of our most efficient and popular Lord Rectors.**

So much for the value of attendance at the University Court.

We have asked Mr Wyndham if he can attend Court meetings. Without making any vote-catching promise impossible of fulfilment he replies frankly that he cannot engage to attend every meeting of the Court, but he says, "**I will make every possible effort to be present at all meetings of the Court where questions directly and particularly affecting the students are to be discussed.**"

OUR SECOND SMOKER.

THIS function came off with magnificent *éclat* at the Imperial Hotel on Thursday evening—the President in the chair, supported by Messrs W. Buchan and Briggs-Constable, ex-Presidents of the Association. A quarter of an hour from the start the great room was crammed end to end, and a considerable number had to content themselves with joining in the choruses from the side rooms. No less than six pianists were in attendance, of whom Messrs Armstrong, Dillon, and Bruce did the bulk of the work. We have, however, to apologise to some of the artistes in that, although an unbroken succession was kept going from 8 sharp till 10, time did not permit the appearance of all who had volunteered. If the gentlemen thus unavoidably crowded out will accept this invitation to our third great Smoker on Thursday, we will see that they get an earlier turn.

In the course of the evening able and stirring addresses were delivered by the two guests of the evening, and at ten o'clock the whole company joined in frenzied cheers for Wyndham, and issued forth to find some Oslerites to kill. Needless to say, the search was in vain, and after a "doch-an-doris" with the garrison at 4 Lindsay Place the company dispersed.

On the same evening the Stablemen held an orgie at The Crown, their own garret, thanks to Liberal attentions, being uninhabitable. The "Concert" was of the same character as last, and an hour sufficed to bring the thing to such a pitch of confusion that it had to be stopped. A few still lingered about the door till a cry of "Conservatives!" sent them scuttling for home.

THE CAMERON'S CANT.

THIS song went well at the Smoker:—

Cam'ron swore ta feud
Against ta clan McTory,
And he went forth to do
Heroic deeds and gory.
They could fight, they said,
Though all they did was shoutin',
And they swore the Tor-
ies they would soon be routin'.

Cameree, Camerow, Cameray,
Cameri, Camero, Camerorus,
Cameree, Camerow, Cameray,
That's the blooming chorus!

But they had not gone far
When a big bag of ochre
Caught ta Cam'ron's mou
And laid him out, a choker.
Cam'ron said, "Hech sirs,
That was not polite, mun;
At 1 Drummond Street
Like that we do not fight, mun."

McTory said, "Great Scott,
'Twas you began ta battle,
Here, bring along ta hose
And stop his silly prattle."
So Cam'ron he was drooned
Wi' mony o' his vermin,
The rest wi' rotten eggs
McTory did extermine.

WHAT POLITICAL LORD RECTORS HAVE DONE FOR EDINBURGH.

The statutory recognition of the Students' Representative Council in 1889 was carried in the face of much Parliamentary ignorance of Scottish Universities in general and the idea of a Students' Representative Council in particular, and any one who looks up the account of the passage of the Act will find how many English members strongly opposed the measure—members who had neither the interest nor the desire to inform themselves regarding the "provincial" University of Edinburgh. A Unionist Lord Rector, the Marquis of Lothian, was almost solely responsible for the success of the proposition.

The Licensing Act of 1903.—Under this Act the University Unions would have been hard hit. The authorities of the Edinburgh Union, alone of all the University Unions, and in particular the President of the Conservative Association of the year of the election of the then Rector, approached Sir R. B. Finlay, the then Lord Rector, and Lord Balfour of Burleigh, one of his predecessors in the office. The united influence of these two succeeded in introducing special concessions for all genuine Student Clubs in Section XXX. of the Act. Had we not had political Lord Rectors, these would not have been conceded in all probability. Had these not been conceded, no student could have become a member

under the age of eighteen, and then only on becoming elected, and having his name on the notice-board for two weeks previous to election. No better opening for cliqueism could well be imagined.

The New Ordinance.—This passed the Privy Council with unexampled celerity; how much more difficult would it have been without the powerful influence of Lord Rectors we would not like to say.

The "Student" and the Post Office.—In October 1906 the editor fell foul of the Post Office regarding the transmission of the *Student* at the rates of a registered newspaper. He obtained his object only with the very greatest difficulty, a special visit to Mr Haldane in London to seek his influence with a Government department being necessary before his object was obtained.

In none of these things could Dr Osler have been of the slightest use to our University. He may be able to preside at Court meetings and take an intelligent interest in its business; we repeat that that is not the greatest object of the Lord Rector, the "driving force" in Parliament and the Privy Council, the prestige of the University among public men, is what he stands for. **Dr Osler fails us in the essential qualification of a Lord Rector.**

NOTES.

ALL men should remember it is necessary to show the matriculation ticket and one class card when voting.

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We have read much criticism of Mr Wyndham. Was Professor Osler ever in a place which many people would bother to criticise?

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The *Ace of Trumps* triumphantly quotes Thomas Carlyle as a case of a non-political Lord Rector. Is Professor Osler in the same class as Thomas Carlyle?

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Aberdeen and St Andrews are given as Universities where a non-political Lord Rector has succeeded. Aberdeen has this year gone back to the old system. In St Andrews the Rectorship is scarcely of any interest; the S.R.C., at a formal meeting, practically elect the Rector, and, as a matter of fact, the office is practically the gift of the Principal.

We venture to prophesy, with every confidence, the same would happen in Edinburgh. Go in for the non-political man and the Rectorship will be a done thing, save as an empty honour to some more or less well-known graybeard.

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MR WYNDHAM AT THE SCOTT CLUB DINNER.—A prominent Edinburgh doctor, once well known in University athletic and social circles, was heard to say—"I'd like to see George Wyndham in, if only to hear his address. I heard him at the Edinburgh Scott Club and he was superb. We could have gone on listening to him all night."

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"Agriculture is solid for Wyndham." "The four University Halls are plumping for Wyndham almost to a man." "The waverers in Science are rapidly coming round."

Such are a few of the reports we receive daily.

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"Scientists, vote for a scientist!"

How Professor Osler would blush if he saw this sort of twaddle.

EDINBURGH WOMEN'S UNIONIST ASSOCIATION.—By the kindness of Mrs J. Avon Clyde, all women supporters are invited to an "At Home" at 27 Moray Place this afternoon from 5.30 to 7.

THE LIBEL ACTION.

THIS is rather startling. We confess we don't like legal interference, but the *Ace of Trumps* ran as near the line as anything we have seen.

Impassioned Oslerite Orator.—"Show me a Conservative and I will show you a liar."

Six feet two of Tory Physical Force rises to his burly height.—"I'm a Conservative."

Orator.—"Well, sir, if you'll come outside (*Tory strips his coat*) I'll—er—show you a man who said there wouldn't be one at the meeting."

The Oslerites seem to attach most enormous importance to the fact that in all three cases the first prospective candidate asked declined to stand. It passes the wit of man to imagine what they expect to make out of this. It does not follow that every public man approached will have the time or inclination to take up the duties of Lord Rector in Edinburgh, and, as a matter of course, the various committees draw up at every Rectorial a list of alternatives. The Oslerites have at last been driven to confess that they themselves made out a similar list, and that Professor Osler was *not* the first man approached. Similarly the Liberals asked Mr Haldane first; and we asked Viscount Milner first; so honours are easy. Try some stronger line of attack.

CARTOONS.

THE *Face of Mumps* has a cartoon of Osler, a horse, and a gate, from the pencil of an artist who was a Liberal last month, an Oslerite this, and will be a Conservative at the election. It is excellently drawn, and its point is perfectly clear, for the nag is most unmistakably "hung up," with his hind legs fouling the top-rail, and his hatless and hapless rider (who drags tightly on the curb in mid-air) with horrified expression prepares himself for the "purler" that is imminent. In the background Wales Cameron puffs his cigarette and grins approval, as also Gordon Grant, who throws out his hand with a triumphant "Told you so!"

Thank you, our friends from the stable, this sort of thing saves us a lot of expense. Now go away and dra some more for us. We publish this week a copy of the sort of thing we want.

Call My Mater badly wants an artist of some kind. Even if the picture were passably drawn, the idea of a knight fighting a dragon is hackneyed *ad nauseam*. Winston, arrayed in a Roman helmet, a Black Watch tunic, and a basket-work kilt, strikes a penny-plain-and-twopence coloured attitude, and shoulders a wooden sword a few inches long. The "monster ugly and venomous" is composed of a cornucopia, two claws, and two uncommonly-handsome presentations of the heads of Wyndham and Osler. The former's fine strong face gazes annoyedly at the artist, as if asking how much longer he is going to be, while Osler daintily kisses a heraldic Edinburgh Castle. The background is chaste, and consists of a blade of grass and a precipice. We strongly resent the idea suggested that we are one body with the Oslerites, but find consolation in the fact that the "monster" looks perfectly fit to make a lunch of soldier, grass, precipice and all.

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